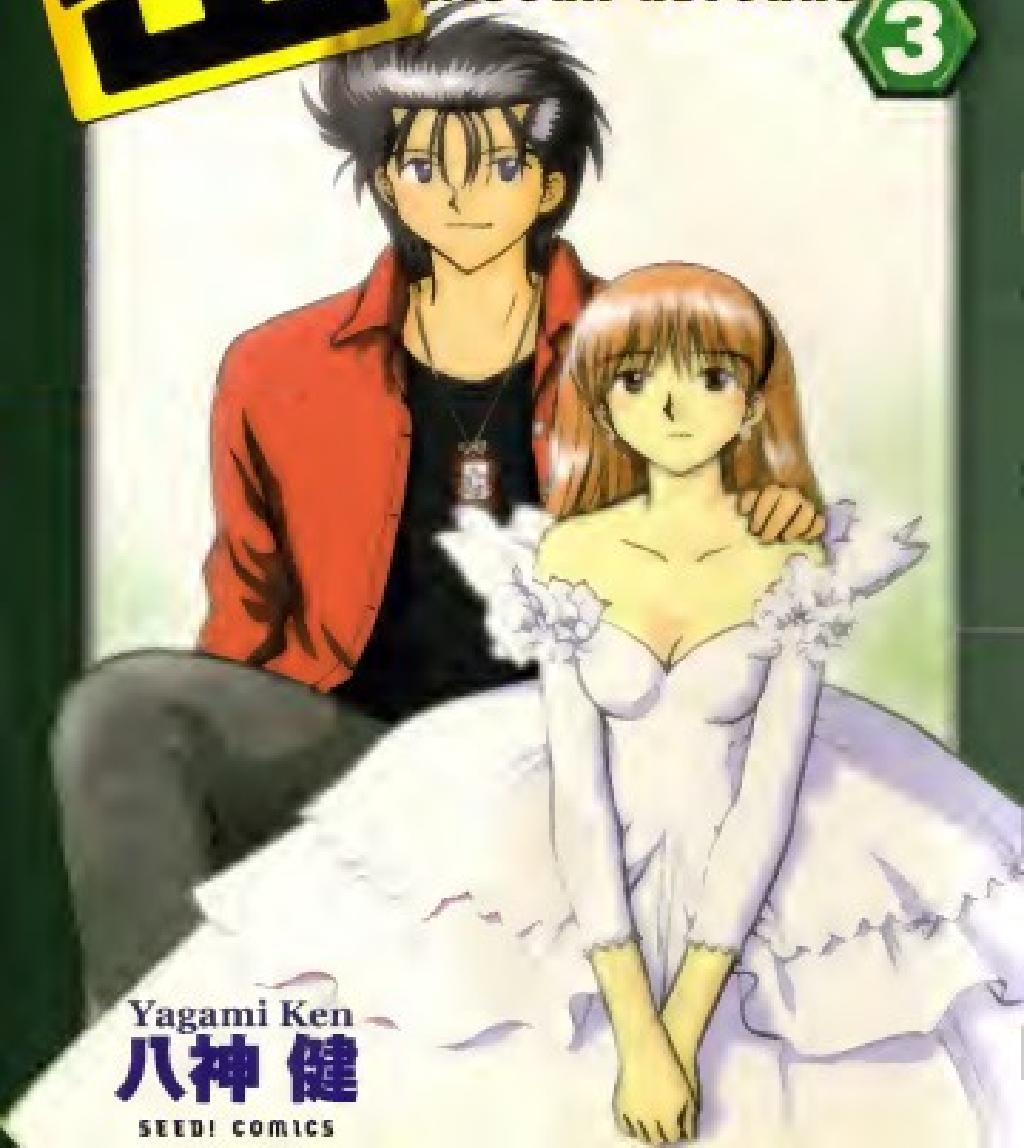


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(ONE-SHOT) ANOTHER STORY





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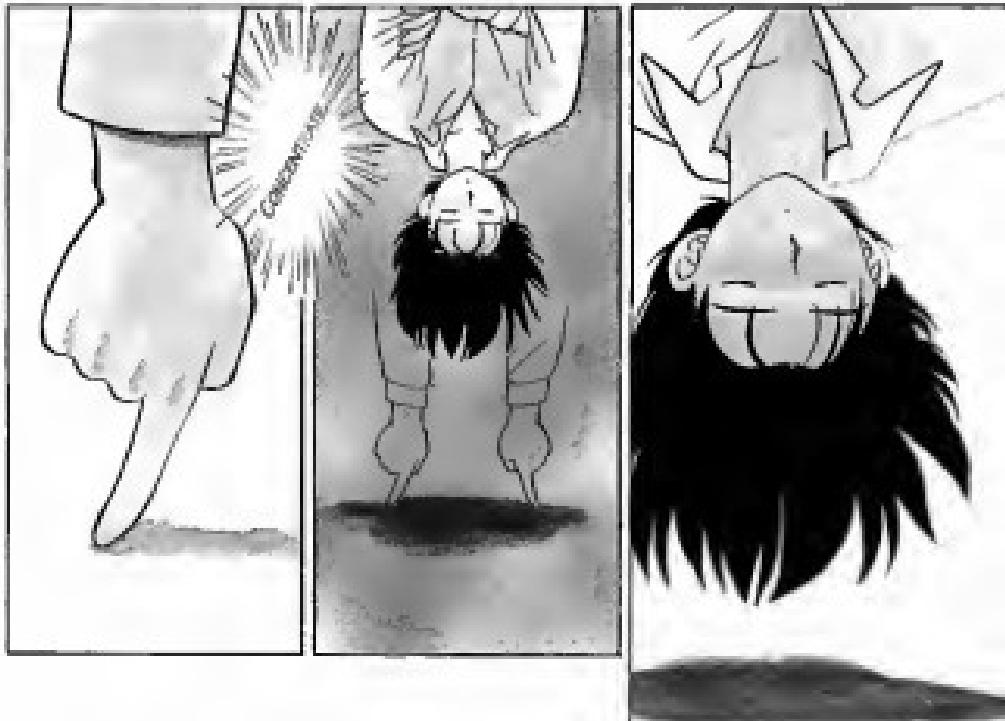
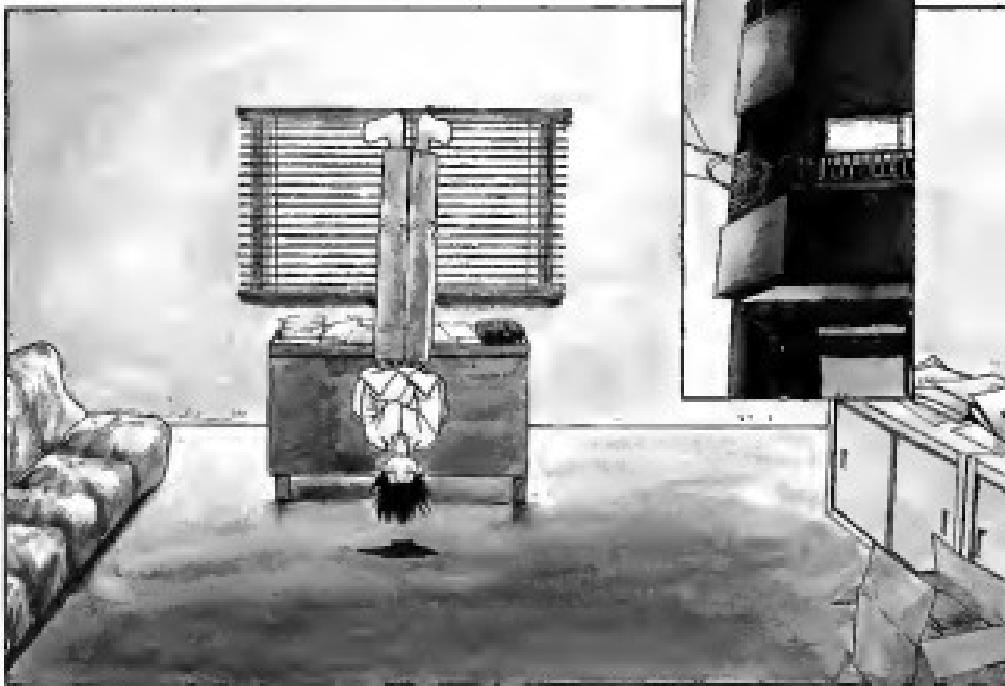
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#43 RITO, FOUND?!







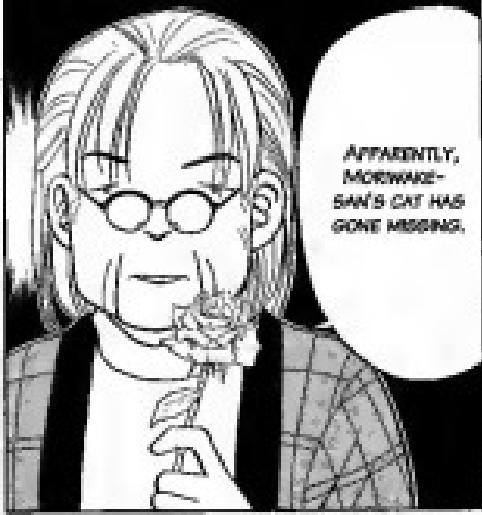
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YOU MUST  
LEARN HOW  
TO CONTROL  
YOUR OWN  
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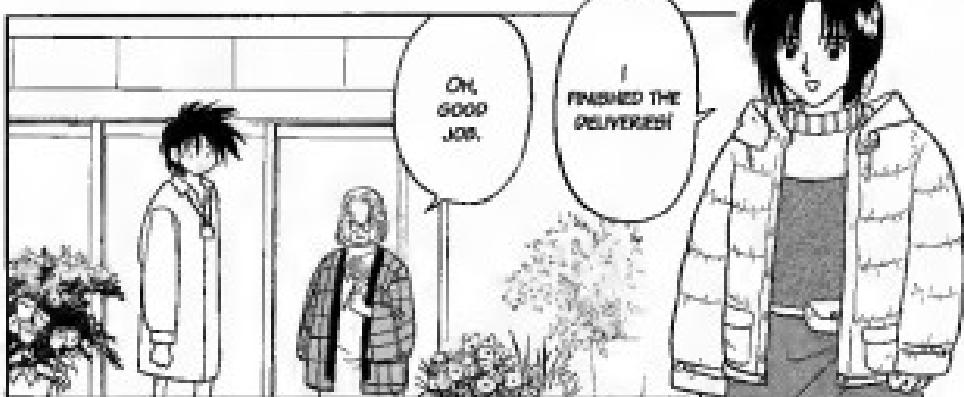


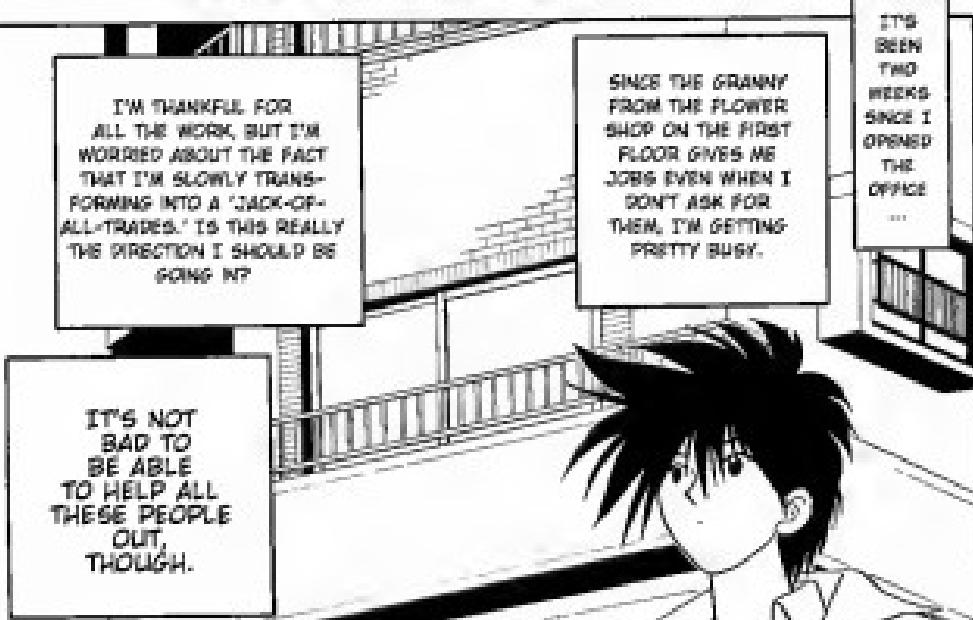


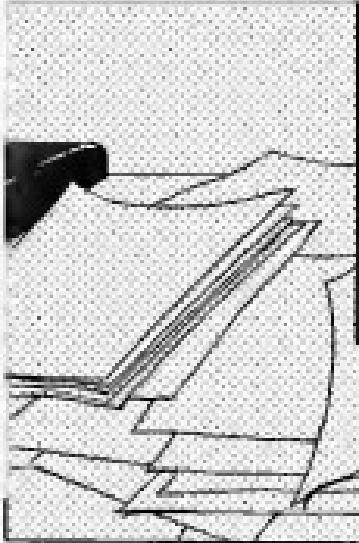
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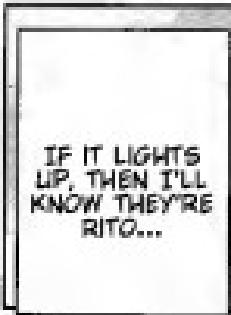






I'VE COME UP WITH  
OVER 50 PEOPLE  
THAT FULFILL MY  
FIRST CRITERIA OF  
BEING NEAR DEATH  
WITHIN 10KM OF  
THE CITY ON JULY  
7...BUT IN THE END,  
I BET I'LL END UP  
WITH DOUBLE THAT.

I JUST WISH  
I WAS  
MAKING A  
LITTLE MORE  
PROGRESS  
IN MY  
SEARCH  
FOR RITO...



IF IT LIGHTS  
UP, THEN I'LL  
KNOW THEY'RE  
RITO...

THE LIST  
IS ALWAYS  
GROWING, BUT  
I REALLY NEED  
TO START  
BRINGING THE  
TEAGRE TO  
THEM AND  
HAVING THEM  
TOUCH IT.



SORRY,  
BUT CAN YOU  
HOLD THIS BALL  
FOR ME?  
JUST  
FOR A  
LITTLE  
BIT.

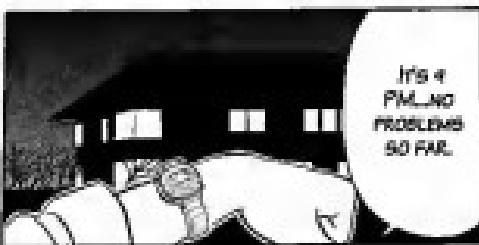


WHA-WHAT???



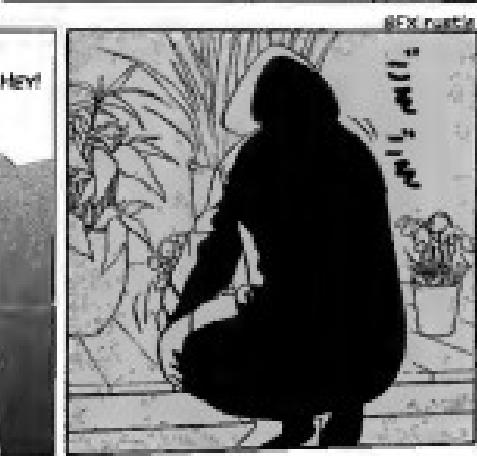






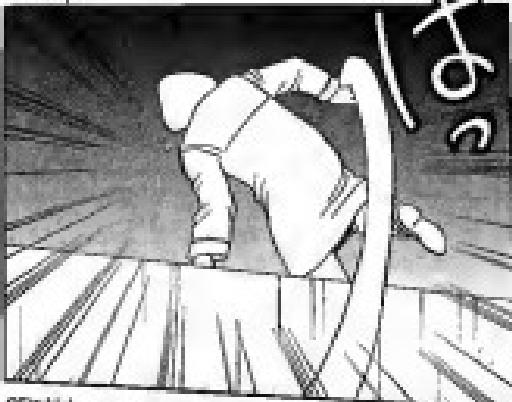


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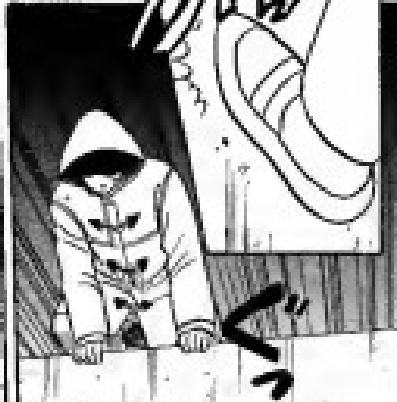


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SPX hop



SPX kick



SPX kick

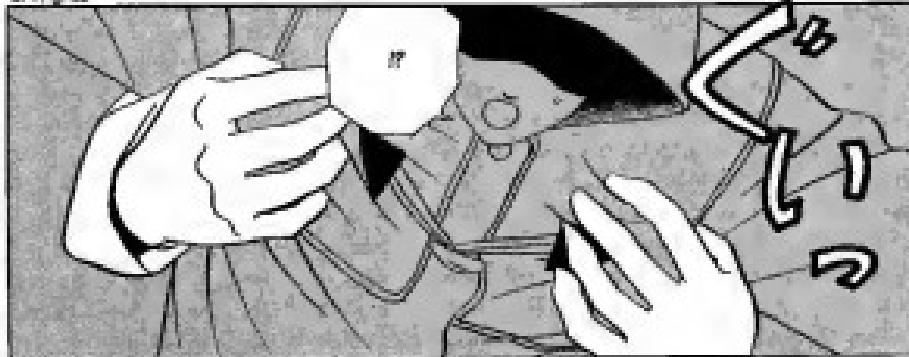


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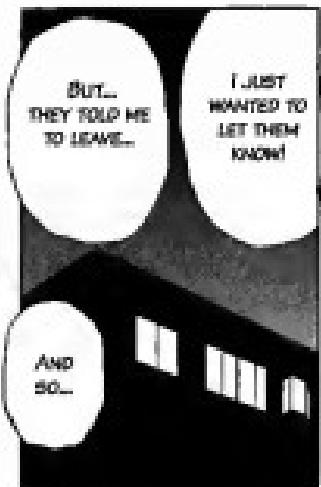
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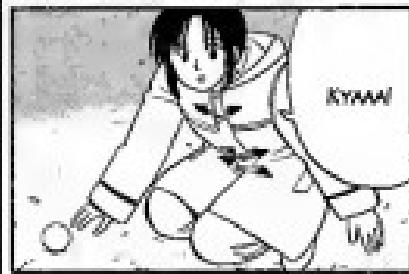
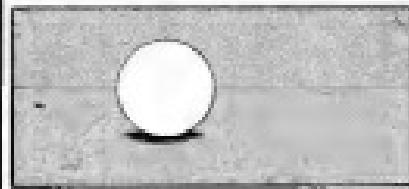


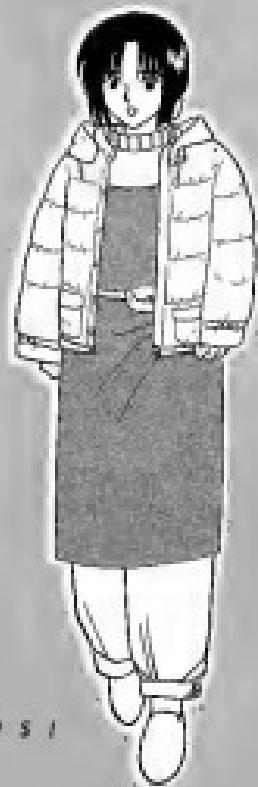












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児行 べんきん書房

「お前が決意の行動で、新生活、お前が、  
おは医師した。だが、闘病の苦労とひどいええ」、  
老練の娘はおもん顔の妹に泣いてしまった。  
母親の娘を探すため、探偵事務所を開いて  
情報収集を始めた娘の前に一人の女性が…。



#44

I WAS SO HAPPY...

I FOUND

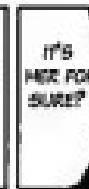
RITOI



YUUKI CHIHO!  
LAST NIGHT,  
SHE HAPPENED  
TO TOUCH THE  
TEAGRE...AND  
IT FLASHED!



WE FOUND  
HOSHIZAKI  
SENSEI!



IT'S  
HER FOR  
SURE?



YOU  
THINK  
—



THE TEAGRE IS  
ONLY ONE CLUE.

THE ONLY PROOF WE HAVE  
SO FAR IS THAT  
THE TEAGRE  
GLOWED, AND  
THAT ISN'T DECISIVE.

THIS IS  
AN UNPREC-  
EDENTED  
CASE,  
AFTER ALL.

WE  
CAN'T  
JUMP TO CONCLU-  
SIONS HERE.

HOW COME,  
GRAMPS?

THEN  
WE'LL BE ABLE  
TO FIND OUT  
FOR SURE.

IF WE  
CAN RESTORE  
RITO-SAN'S  
MEMORIES  
SOMEHOW,

AND TWO, THAT  
RITO-SAN'S SOUL IS  
INSIDE HER, BUT THE  
SHOCK FROM THE JUMP  
MADE HER LOSE HER  
MEMORIES.

BESIDES, SHE DIDN'T  
RECOGNIZE YOU AT ALL, WHICH  
LEADS ME TO TWO POSSIBILITIES:  
ONE, THAT SHE'S A COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT PERSON, YET THE  
TEAGRE STILL GLOWED FOR SOME  
REASON,

TAKE YOUR  
TIME AND THINK  
CAREFULLY  
ABOUT WHAT  
TO DO. YOU  
MUSTN'T  
PANIC!

I KNOW...  
I ALREADY HAVE  
AN IDEA.



HASHIMOTO-SAN.

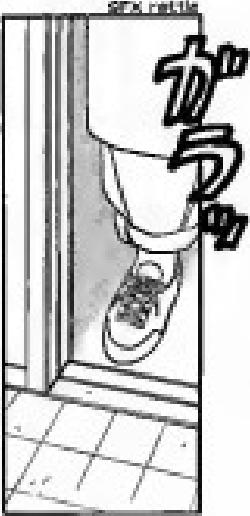
I COULDN'T  
SLEEP AT ALL LAST  
NIGHT...

MY HEART  
WOULDN'T STOP  
BEATING...



WERE WE...





SHIKI: Freeze!





A SCHOOL...?

UHHH...  
NOT EXACTLY

IS THIS  
THE SCHOOL  
YOU WENT TO,  
HASHIMURA-  
SAN?

YES.

THE  
FLOWERS ARE  
VERY WELL-KEPT  
AND TAKEN CARE  
OF. I THINK IT'S A  
NICE SCHOOL!

W-WELL...?



200  
200

Y-YEAR,  
I'M SURE IT  
DOES...THAT'S  
EXACTLY WHAT  
I THOUGHT,  
TOOL.

SO  
I BET IT LOOKS  
VERY BEAUTIFUL  
IN SPRING.

THERE  
ARE A  
BUNCH OF  
CHERRY  
BLOSSOM  
 TREES  
AROUND  
HERE.



A black and white manga-style panel. In the foreground, a character with dark hair and a jacket is looking upwards. A large speech bubble originates from their mouth, containing two lines of text: "THIS IS" on the first line and "INTERVIEWING" on the second line. The background is dark and textured.



PLEASE,  
TRY TO REMEM-  
BER SOMETHING,  
RYOU!

SEEMS  
LIKE THIS WAS A  
TOTAL FAILURE.



UHM...  
THE SKY'S  
STARTING  
TO LOOK A BIT  
OMINOUS.



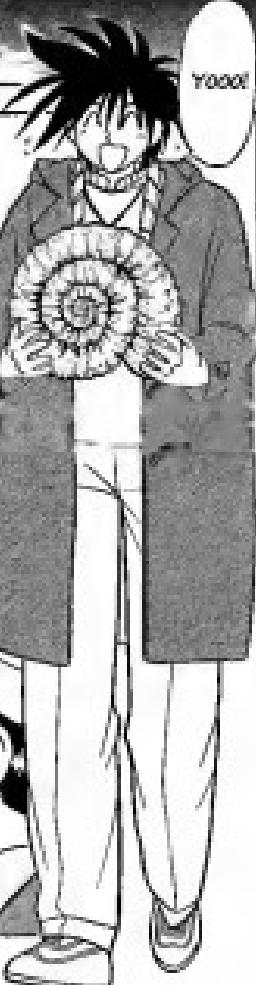
HASHIMOTO-SAN

WHAT OTHER  
PLACES DID WE  
MAKE POWERFUL  
MEMORIES AT?



ACTU-  
ALLY...  
UHM,  
THE  
TRUTH  
IS...



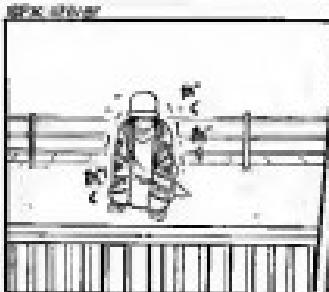


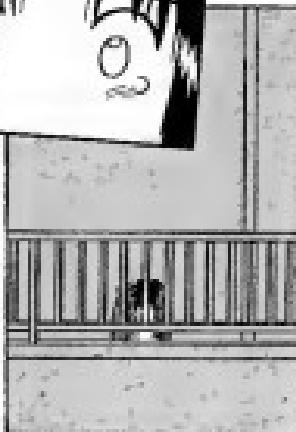
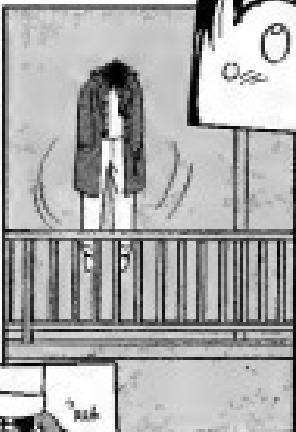
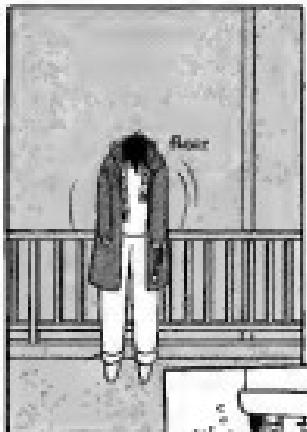


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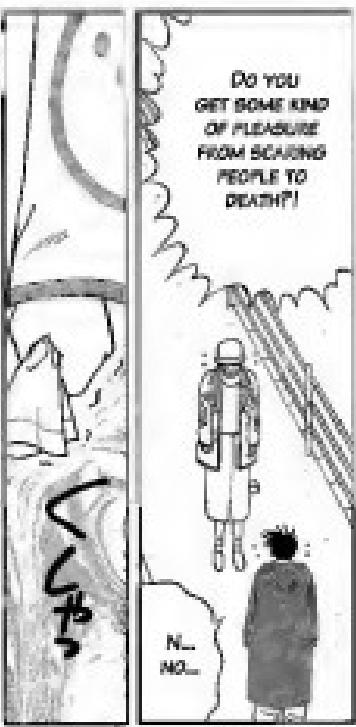


DO YOU  
REMEMBER  
ANY-  
THING...?

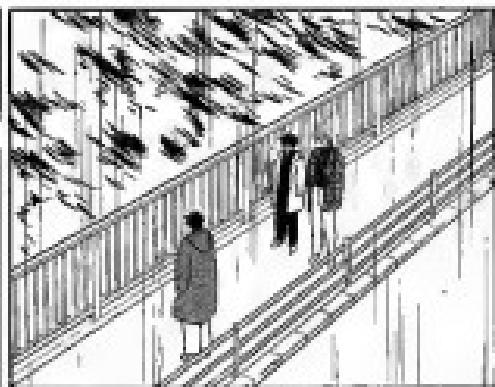


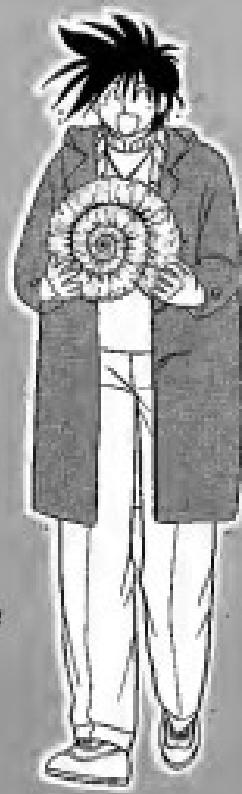
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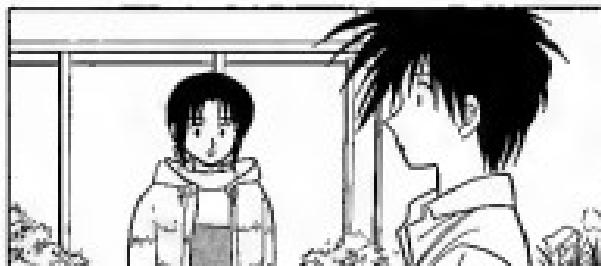


H I S O K A   R E T U R N S !

YUKI CHIHO  
IS A LIVE-IN HELPER WORKING  
AT THE FLORIST...THE MOMENT  
SHE HAPPENED TO TOUCH THE  
TEAGRE CONTAINING RITO'S  
BODY, IT GLOWED POWER-



#45 I'M SORRY...

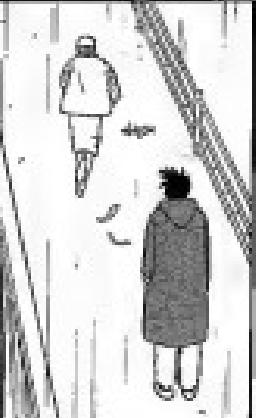
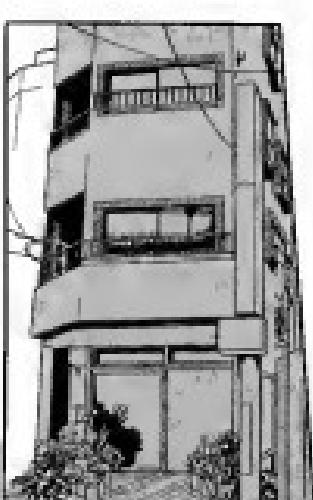


BUT SHE DOESN'T  
MAKE ANY UNUSUAL  
REACTIONS WHENEVER  
SHE SEES ME.

THERE ARE  
ONLY TWO POSSIBLE  
EXPLANATIONS...ONE,  
RITO'S SOUL ISN'T INSIDE  
HER AT ALL, OR  
TWO...RITO'S INSIDE HER.



IF RITO  
REALLY IS INSIDE HER...  
THEN ALL I NEED TO DO  
IS AWAKEN RITO'S  
MEMORIES...







HUNT?

HE'S OUT ON SOME SORT OF SECRET MISSION OR SOMETHING.

BUT DETECTIVES CAN'T ALWAYS EXPLAIN ALL THESE ACTIONS TO PEOPLE.

I'M NOT EXACTLY SURE WHY HE HAD TO CARRY AROUND AMMONITE OR JUMP OFF A BRIDGE...

IT ALLOWS HIM TO INVESTIGATE A LOT OF PLACES HE NORMALLY WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO.

WALKING AROUND WITH A GIRL MAKES HIM LESS SUSPICIOUS. GET IT?

DETECTIVES CAN NEVER REVEAL THE DETAILS OF THEIR WORK TO THEIR FRIENDS.

"IN ORDER TO DECEIVE YOUR ENEMIES, YOU MUST FIRST DECEIVE YOUR COMRADES."

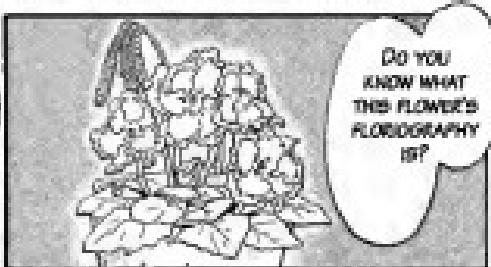
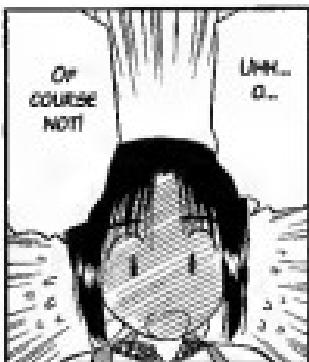
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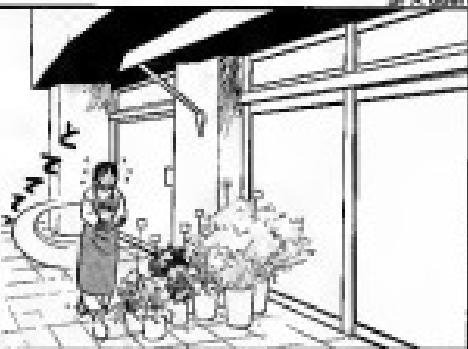
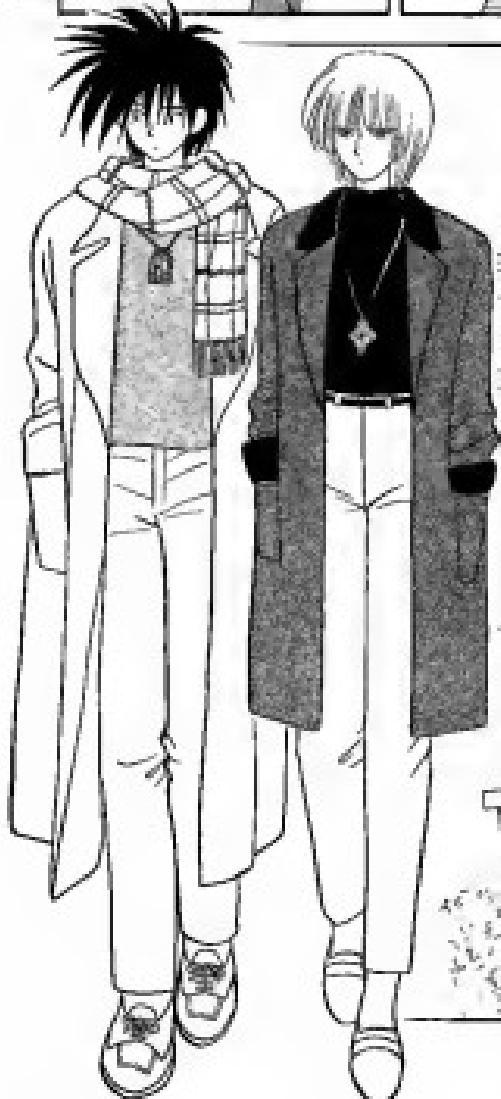
...BUT IF HE ONLY WOULD HAVE TOLD ME SOMETHING!

Yes?

CHIHO-CHAN.

Like I said, he couldn't tell you.



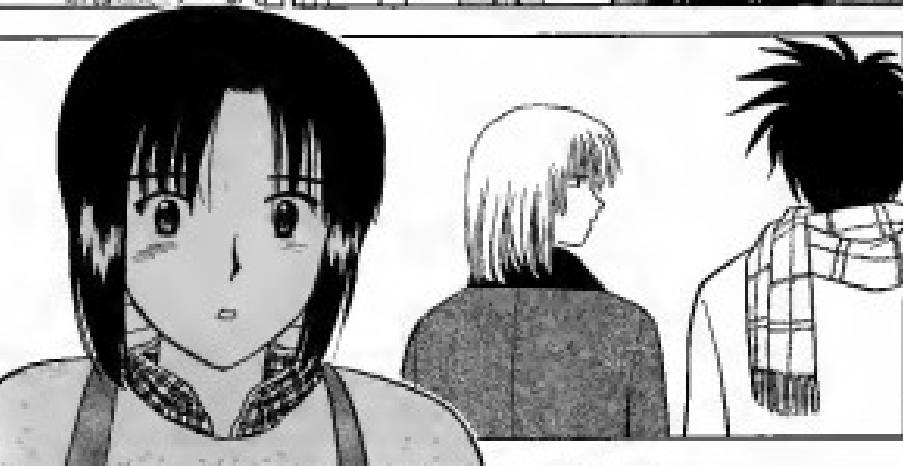


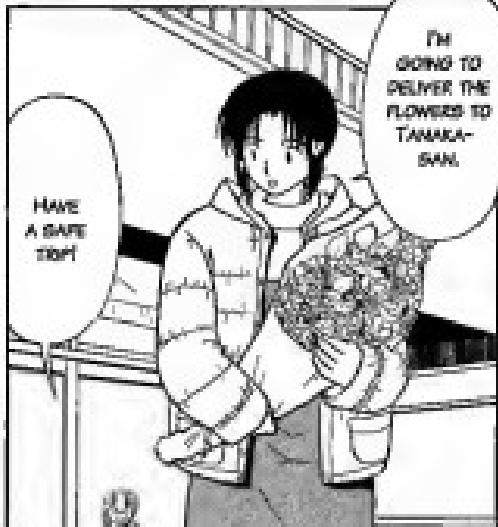
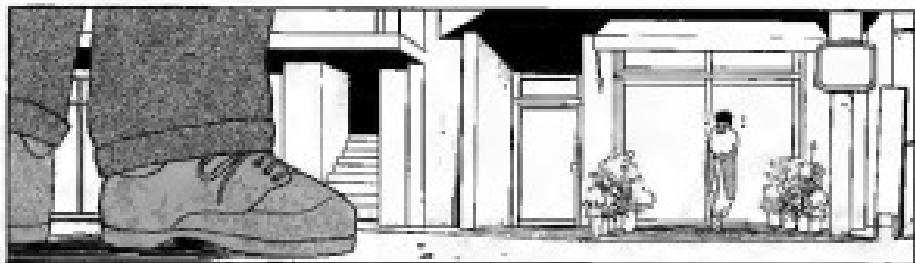
That  
boys are just  
good judges of  
human character,  
Hachioji

All you  
need to do is look  
at a barking dog  
to shut it up.  
After all.

ANYONE'S  
EYES WOULD LOSE  
THEIR GLOW AFTER  
GETTING A GLARE  
FROM YOU...

THAT  
GIRL—HER  
EYES DON'T  
GLOW LIKE  
Kido's  
DO.





BE RIGHT,  
BE ROTON. I CAN'T  
OVERLOOK EVEN  
THE SMALLEST  
DETAIL!

I CAN'T  
LET HER OUT  
OF MY SIGHT  
JUST YET.

SPX exhibit

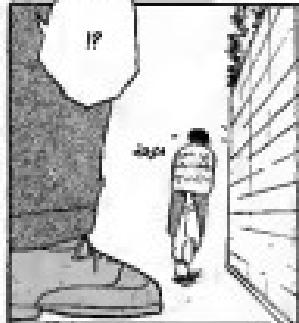
HOW  
ARE YOU  
DOING?  
DID  
YOU FIND  
MY CAT  
TET?

OH, MR.  
DETECTIVE!

THAT'S ALL...

ALL IS  
NOT WHAT IT  
SEEMS  
NOT WHAT IT  
SEEMS  
NOT WHAT IT  
SEEMS

grx head



HET HET...

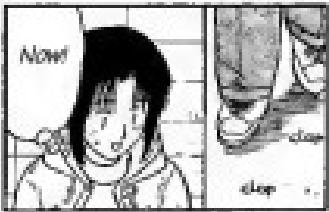
You sure  
know how to  
hold a grudge,  
Chitoh-chan!

Did I  
scare you? Now  
we're even!

Uwaaaaahh  
!!!

Aachhh

puking



chop ..

RFx Shad

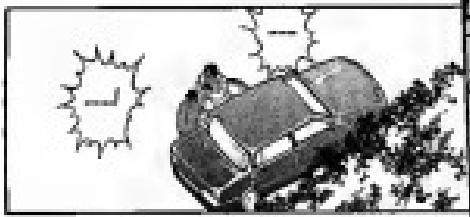
I THOUGHT  
YOU NOTICED  
ME AND WERE  
TRYING TO  
RUN.

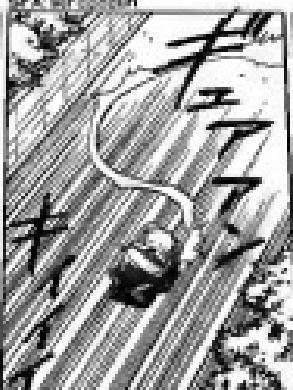


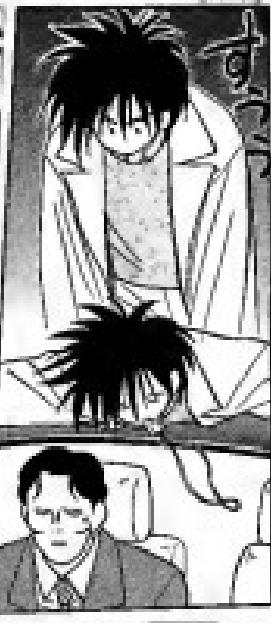
WERE  
THE ONES WHO  
ORDERED THE  
FLOWERS.

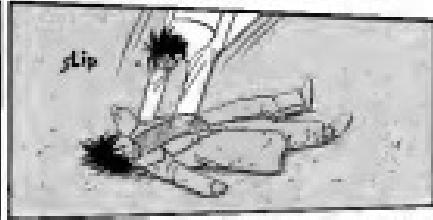
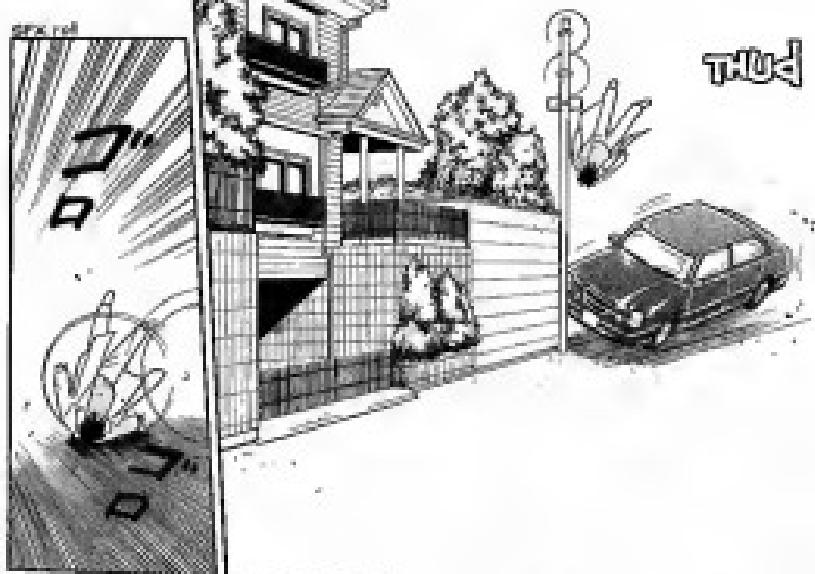
WE FIGURED  
THAT IF WE CALLED YOU  
ALL THE WAY OUT HERE,  
NO ONE WOULD WALK BY  
AND SEE US.





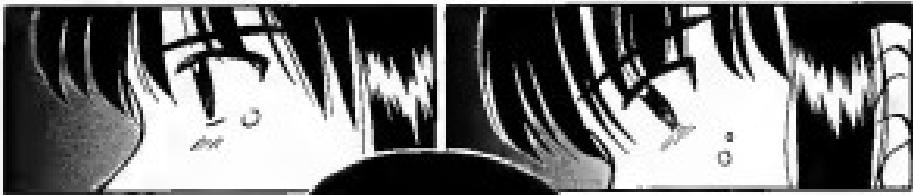














RISOKA RETURNS!



WHAT  
...

THAT GIRL  
NAMED YUUKI CHINO  
HAS NO FAMILY,  
RELATIVES, FRIENDS, OR  
EVEN ACQUAINTANCES  
WHO KNOW HER!

WE  
FOUND  
ABSOLUTELY  
NOTHING.

A GIRL  
WHO  
DOESN'T  
EXIST...

BASICALLY,  
IT'S LIKE YUUKI CHINO  
DOESN'T EVEN EXIST  
AT ALL!

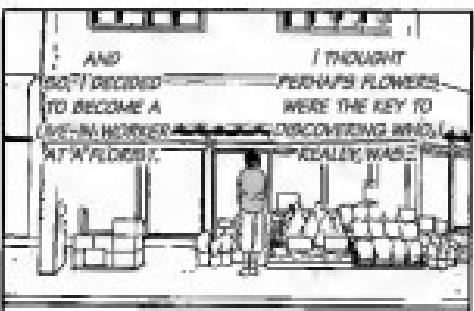
WIND  
BLADE  
SHIELD

BLADE

#46

I WANT TO KEEP BEING ME!







YUUKI  
OHNO IS THE  
NAME I PICKED  
WHEN I CAME TO  
GRANNY'S  
PLACE

I MADE UP  
A NEW NAME TO USE EACH  
TIME I MOVED TO A NEW  
PLACE...



OR  
PERHAPS  
ONLY CHING'S  
PERSONALITY'S  
MEMORIES WERE  
ERASSED?

**DO YOU WANT  
TO GET THE REVENGE OF  
THE VICTIM OF THE  
DISASTER? DO YOU WANT  
TO GET YOUR LOSS  
REPAIRED?**



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COULD  
IT BE...THAT  
YOU KNOW  
SOMETHING  
ABOUT ME  
BEFORE I HAD  
MY ACCIDENT?



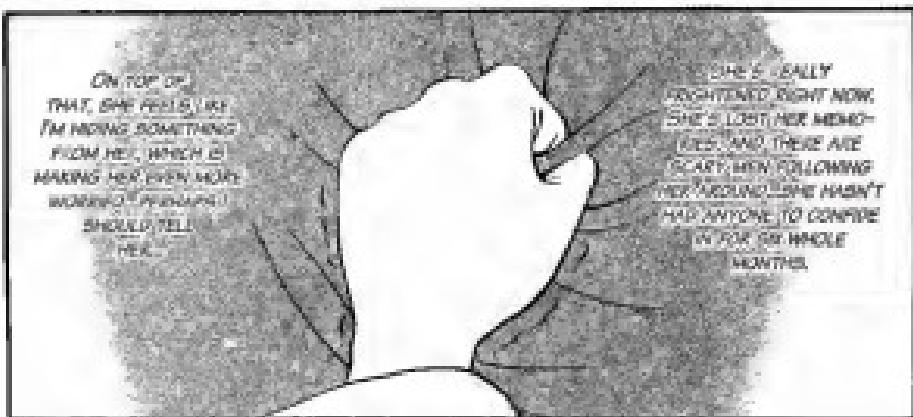
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You  
do...don't  
you?



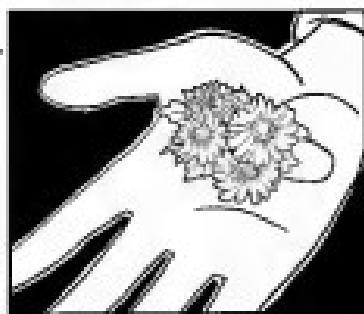
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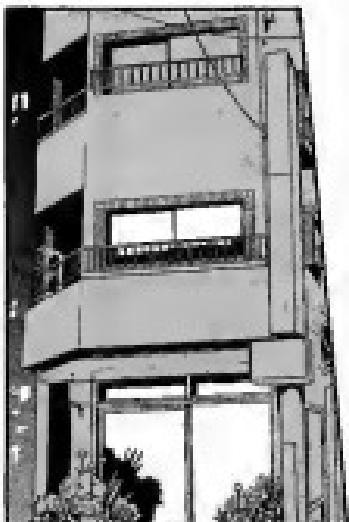






ASTER'S  
FLORIOGRAPHY  
IS...  
"A TRUST-  
WORTHY  
HEART."





THAT'S WHY,  
WHEN SHE CAME AND  
SAID SHE NEEDED A JOB,  
I DECIDED NOT TO ASK  
ANY PERSONAL  
QUESTIONS.



NO ONE  
WHO LIKES  
FLOWERS  
COULD BE EVIL.

IS THAT  
ALL YOU HAVE  
TO SAY?

Roses  
would go  
well with  
her.

HOW  
MYSTERI-  
OUS...

I NEVER  
WOULD HAVE IMAGINED  
THAT SHE'D HAVE  
AMNESIA...OR THAT SHE  
HAS BEEN CHASED  
BY PEOPLE.

—  
THAT ALL  
YOU HAVE  
TO SAY?

That's  
so cool!

IT'S  
DIRECTLY  
CONNECTED  
TO AN ALARM  
I INSTALLED  
UPSTAIRS.

IF  
SOMETHING  
HAPPENS,  
PLEASE PRESS  
THIS BUZZER.

IF THINGS  
GO BADLY,  
DANGER MIGHT  
EVEN REAPPEAR  
IN YOUR STORE.

TO LIKE  
YOU TO STAY HERE  
FOR A WHILE AND  
AVOID GOING OUT  
SIDE AS MUCH AS  
POSSIBLE.

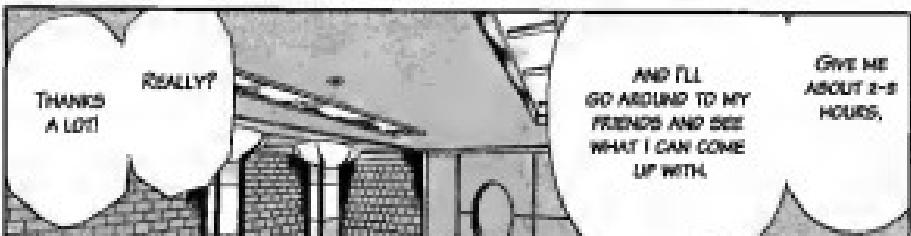
AND SO,  
CHIHO-  
CHAN,

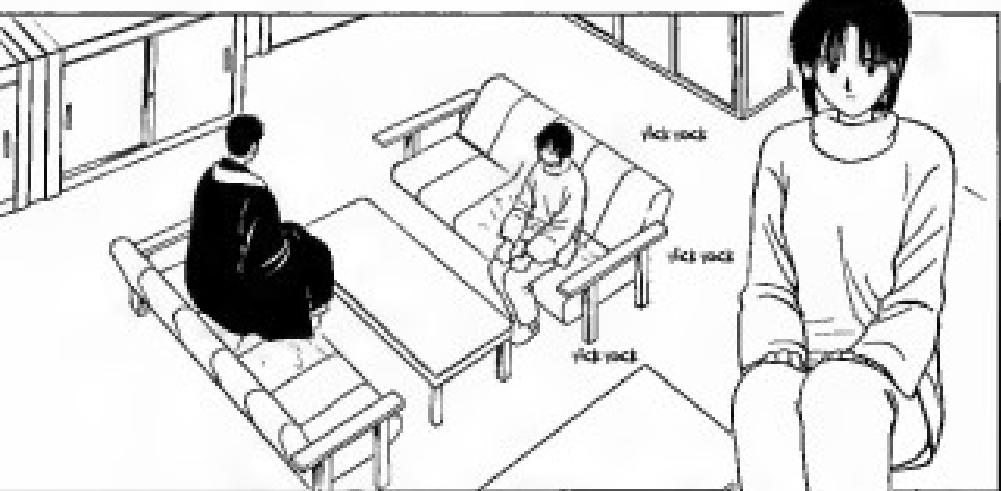
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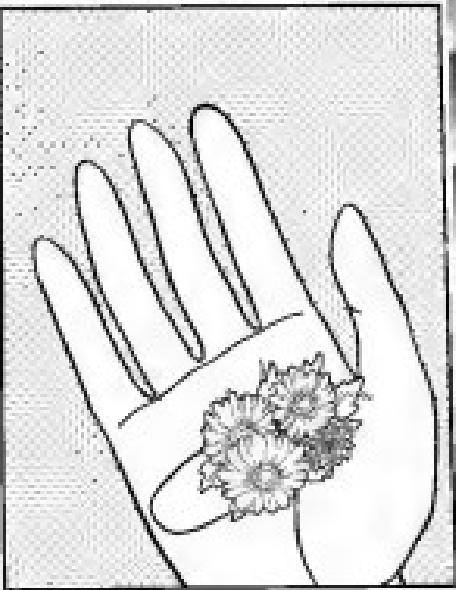




SHIZU







THE  
MURKIN  
SOCIETY  
IS A  
SECRET  
SOCIETY

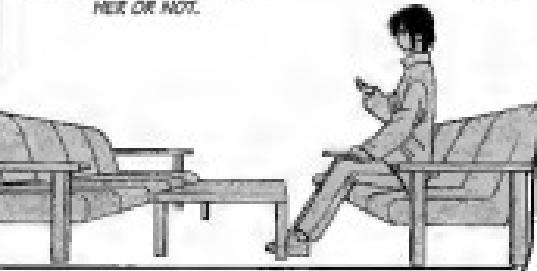
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SOCIETY  
IS A  
SECRET  
SOCIETY

IS  
WHETHER OR NOT  
I'M RITO-SAN!

WHAT  
HASHIMURA-SAN'S  
DESPERATELY  
TRYING TO FIGURE  
OUT RIGHT  
NOW...

AND WHAT  
I WAS DOING ON JULY 7,  
WE MAY BE ABLE TO FIND  
OUT WHETHER I'M REALLY  
HER OR NOT.

IF  
WE FIND  
OUT WHO I  
AM...



I'M NOT HER!



THEN  
WILL I STAY THE  
WAY I AM NOW,  
OR CHANGE BACK  
INTO HOW I USED  
TO BE?

AND  
THEN...EVEN IF IT  
TURNS OUT I AM  
RYO-SAN AND  
RYO-SAN GETS HER  
MEMORIES BACK...

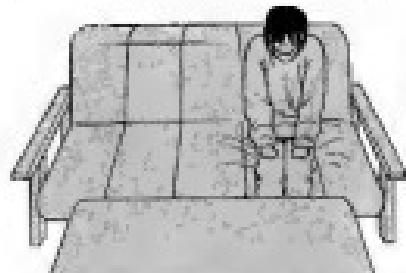
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KOBAYASHI JUNIOR  
CLASS

Homeroom  
2002

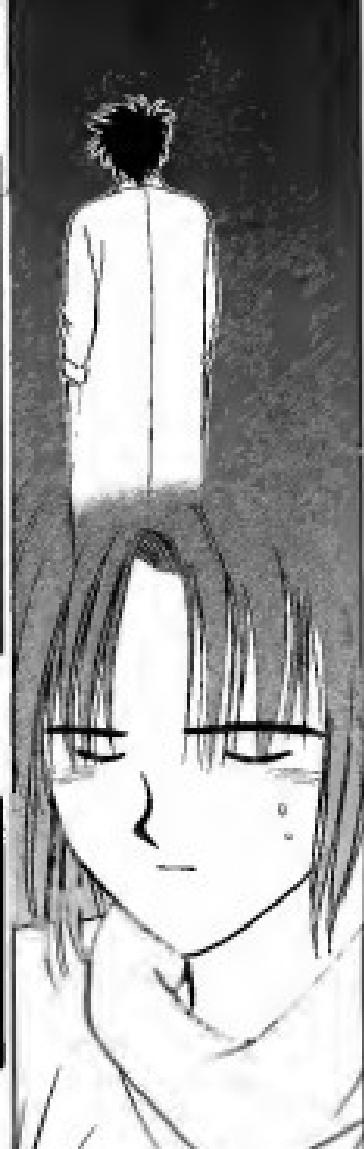


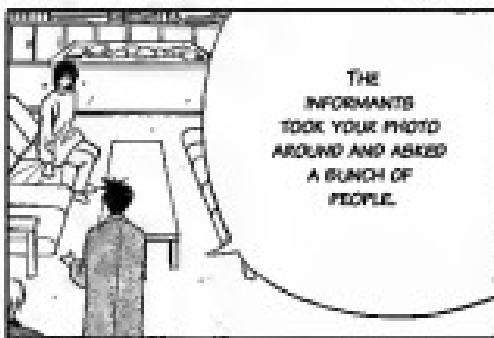
EVEN  
THOUGH I  
MAY BE IN  
DANGER...NOT  
KNOWING ANY-  
THING...

L/FD  
RATHER JUST  
STAY THE WAY I  
AM NOW! EVEN  
THOUGH I DON'T  
KNOW WHO I AM...



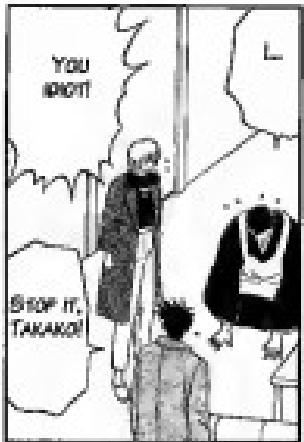
WILL  
KEEP ME BY  
HASHIMOTO-  
SAN'S SIDE  
FOREVER?







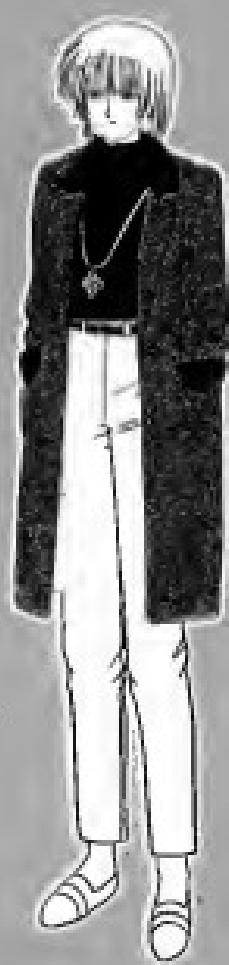






CHINO-CHAN!!





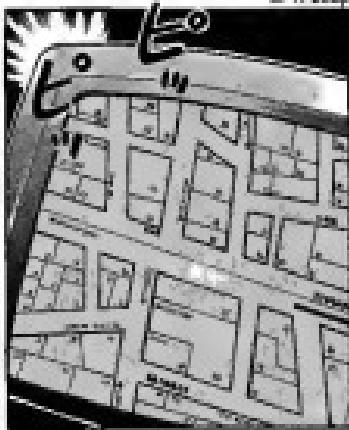
H I S O K A R E T U R N S !

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BULLETS FOR HASHIMOTO!

WE'RE  
COMING,  
CHIHO-CHAN!!







SHE WORKED AS  
AN ASSISTANT IN A  
TOKYO UNIVERSITY  
LABORATORY AND  
STUDIED PLANTS AND  
SELECTIVE BREEDING.

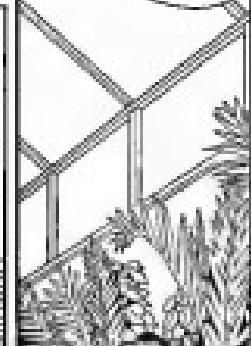
HER  
REAL NAME IS  
KUBAYASHI  
YUKI

HOWEVER,  
HALF A YEAR AGO, A  
STRANGE FIRE BROKE  
OUT IN THE GREEN-  
HOUSE, AND SHE WENT  
MISSING.

ARE  
YOU SURE THIS IS  
THE GIRL,  
PROFESSOR TAKAGI?

YES.  
I'M POSITIVE! THIS  
IS MY SHYTED LITTLE  
ASSISTANT...  
KIBAYASHI YUKI.

ARE  
YOU AWAKE,  
KIBAYASHI-  
KUN?







SHE  
WAS SO TALENTED,  
THE PROFESSOR HAD  
LEPT MOST OF THE  
LABORATORY WORK IN  
HER HANDS, AND YET  
SHE BETRAYED  
HIM.

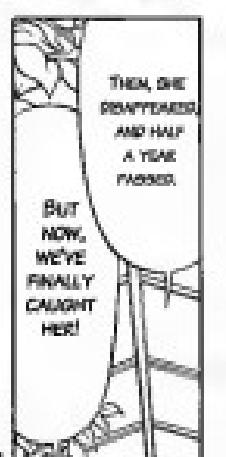
SHE  
SET FIRE TO THE  
GREENHOUSE  
AND BURNED IT  
ALL DOWN.

AND  
SO, OF ALL  
THINGS,



EVEN  
HEARING ALL OF THAT  
STILL HADN'T MADE ME  
REMEMBER ANY-  
THING...

I DID  
THAT?! I DON'T  
GET IT...



THEN, SHE  
DISAPPEARED,  
AND HALF  
A YEAR  
PASSED.

BUT  
NOW,  
WE'VE  
FINALLY  
CAUGHT  
HER!



WE  
JUST NEED YOU  
TO WORK YOUR  
MAGIC  
AGAIN.



WE  
DON'T  
WANT  
TO HURT  
YOU.

YOU  
DON'T  
NEED  
TO BE  
AFRAID.



YOU  
NEED TO  
BREED THAT  
FLOWER  
AGAIN. YOU  
CAN DO IT,  
CAN'T  
YOU?

ALL OF  
THAT RESEARCH OF  
YOURS SHOULD STILL  
BE TUCKED NEATLY  
IN THERE.

TAP



I CAN  
NEVER CREATE  
THAT FLOWER  
AGAIN.



NO  
MATTER HOW  
MUCH YOU  
THREATEN  
ME.

I  
CAN'T HELP  
YOU...

BECAUSE  
I'VE  
LOST ALL MY  
MEMORIES.



WHAT???





WITH  
THIS, YOU'LL  
NEVER WANT TO  
RUN AWAY FROM  
US OR DEFY US  
EVER AGAIN.

stab

Drares  
-?!

SHX grab

ROLL  
UP HER  
SLEEVES.

IT  
WORKS  
WELL ON  
LADS,  
TOO.

Noooooo





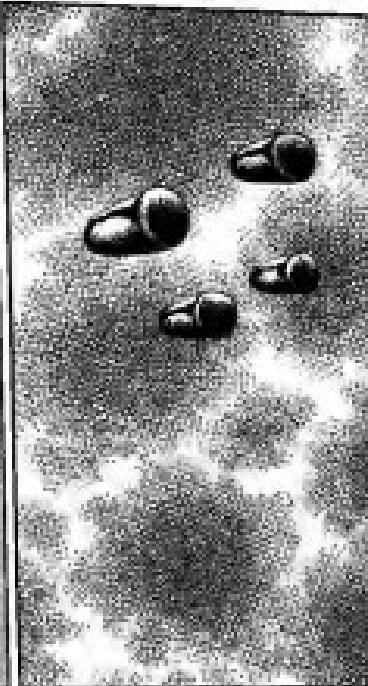
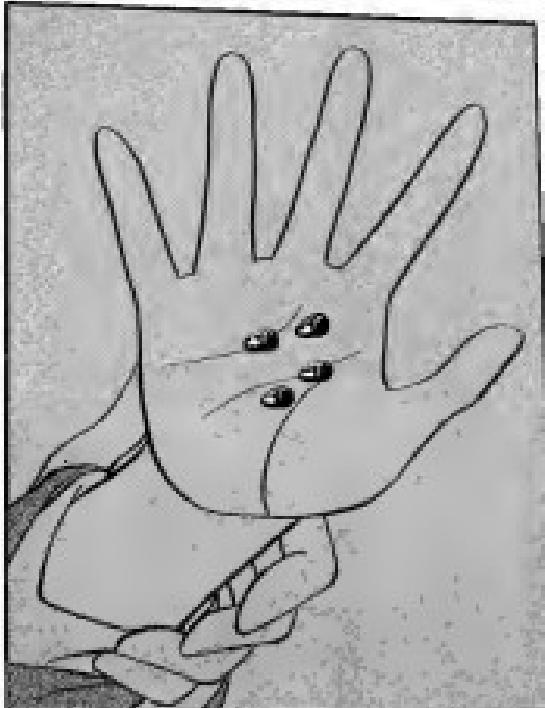
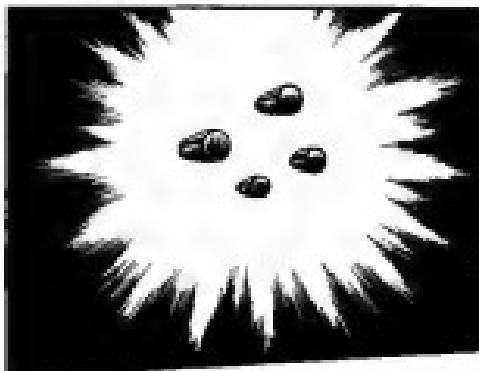








WHAT?



THANKS FOR  
AIMING STRAIGHT  
FOR MY HEART. IT  
HELPED ME A LOT IN  
BLOCKING  
THEM!

IF YOU  
HAD AIMED IN DIFFERENT  
SPOTS, I WOULD HAVE HAD  
TO SPREAD OUT THE LUNG I  
CONCENTRATED IN MY MIND,  
AND THEY MIGHT HAVE WENT  
THROUGH.

SPX-102

SOME  
KIND OF  
MONSTER!

WHAT  
IS THAT  
FREAK?

Here!

SPX-103

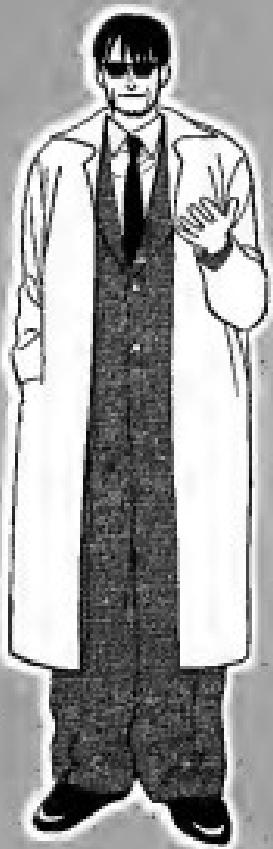
A  
MONSTER!

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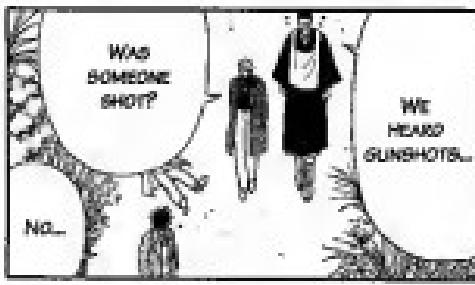
SO  
I GUESS I'M  
MORE LIKE A  
ZOMBIE?

TECHNICALLY,  
I'M ALREADY  
DEAD...



H I S O K A R E T U R N S !







#48

FLOWERS THAT MUSTN'T BLOOM

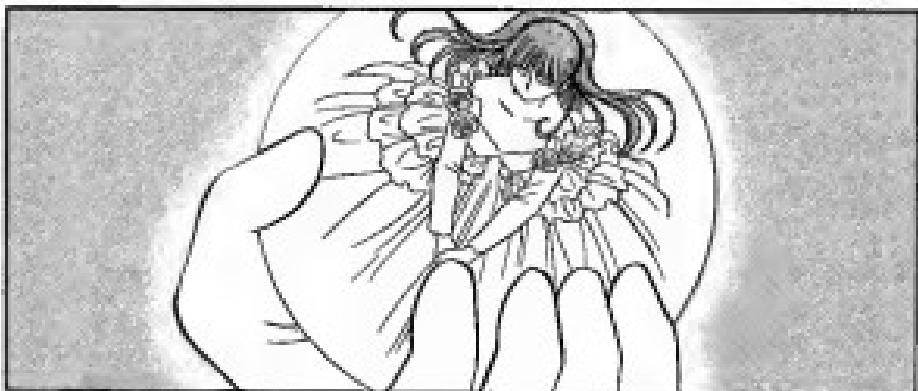




THAT  
MUSTN'T  
BLOOM.

BUT  
YOU ARE ALL  
FLOWERS...







NOW I  
KNOW FOR  
SURE... THAT  
I'M NOT RYO-  
SAN... AND...

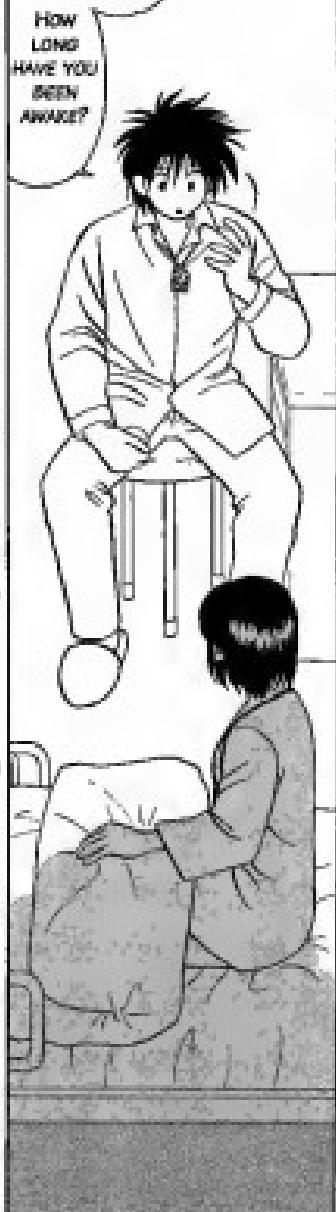


THAT  
I CAN'T GET  
BETWEEN  
THESE TWO...





HUH,  
CHIHO-  
CHAN?





YEAH.

CHINO-DONO LOST ALL MEMORY OF WHAT HAPPENED OVER THE PAST SIX MONTHS?

YOU MEAN, IN EXCHANGE FOR REMEMBERING WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE HER ACCIDENT,

OR EVEN MEETING ANY OF US...

SHE DOESN'T REMEMBER CALLING HERSELF CHINO,

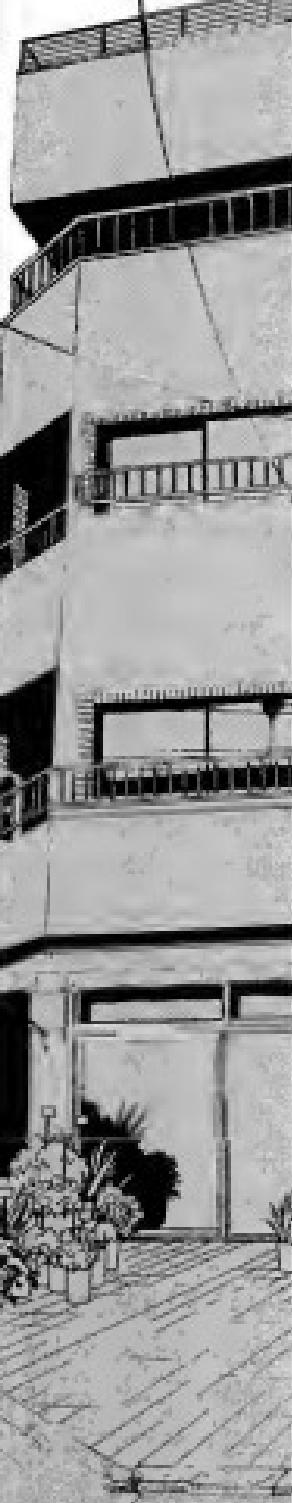
THEN, IF SHE REGAINED HER ORIGINAL MEMORIES...

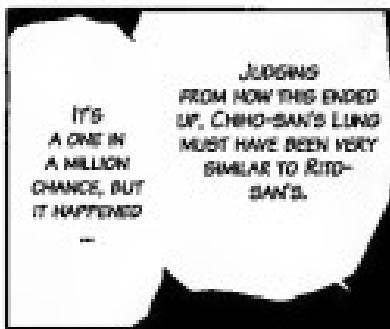
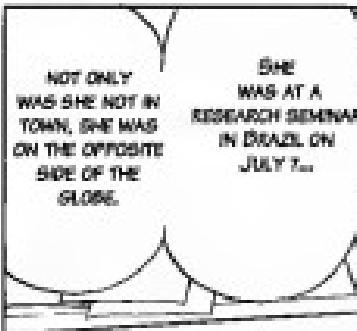
AH!

WE WERE... WRONG?

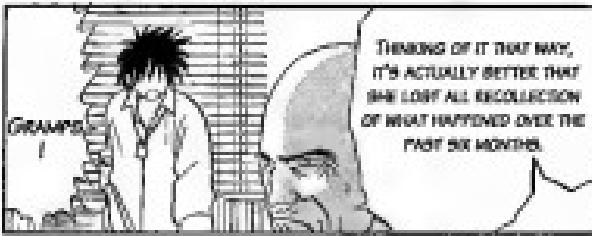
SHE ISN'T RYO.

YEAH, I FOUND OUT THE TRUTH.



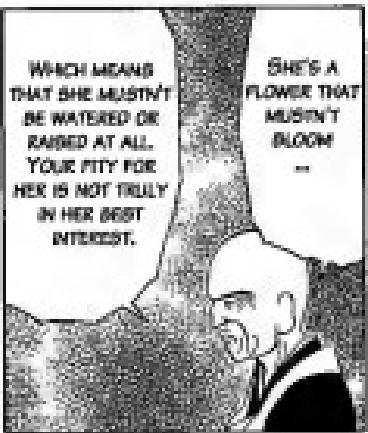


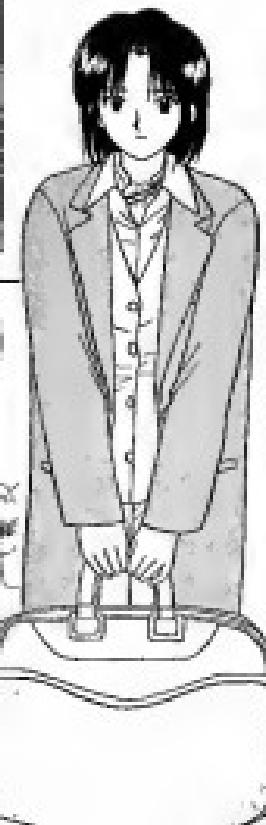
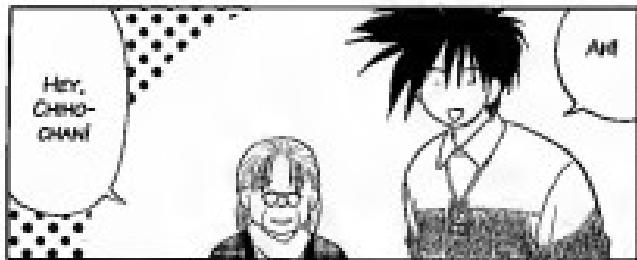
JUDGING FROM HOW THIS ENDED UP, CHINO-SAN'S LUNG MUST HAVE BEEN VERY SIMILAR TO RITO-SAN'S.

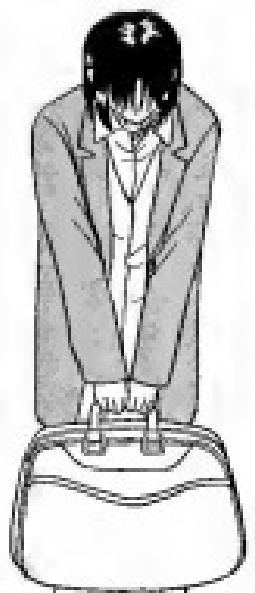


THINKING OF IT THAT WAY, IT'S ACTUALLY BETTER THAT SHE LOST ALL RECOLLECTION OF WHAT HAPPENED OVER THE PAST SIX MONTHS.

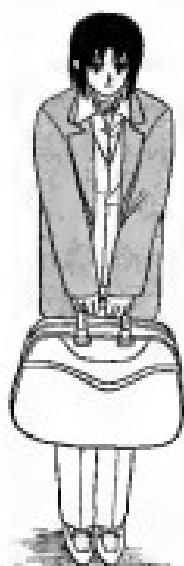


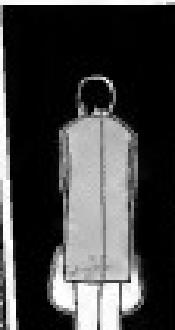
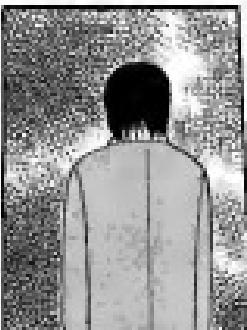


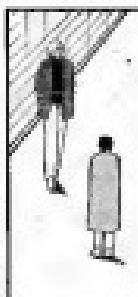




GOODBYE  
NOW...



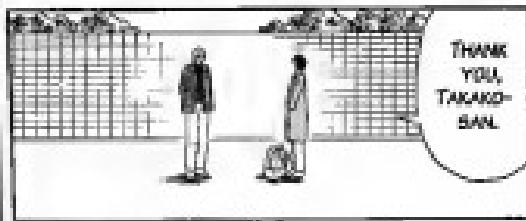






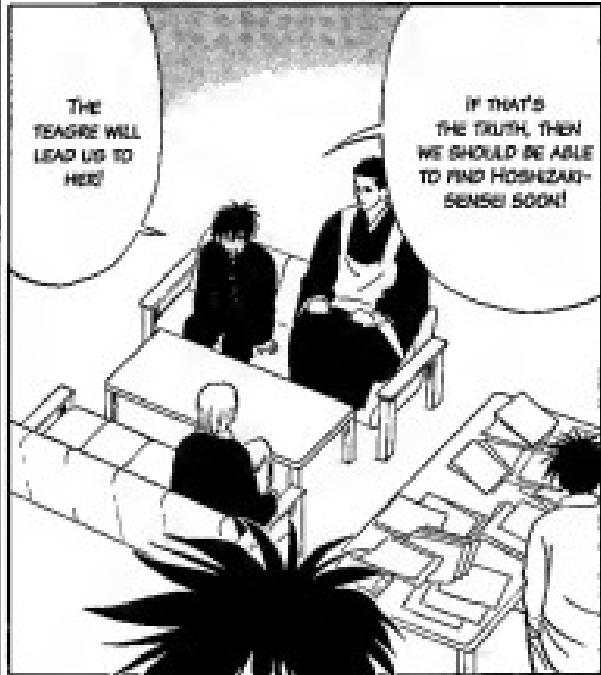
I HOPE...  
YOU FIND RITO-SAN SOON.

YEAH...





WELL  
AREN'T YOU ALL  
AN OPTIMISTIC  
BUNCH!





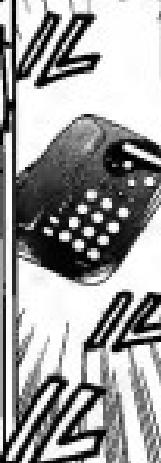
HISOKA RETURNS!

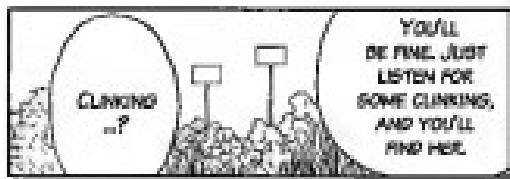
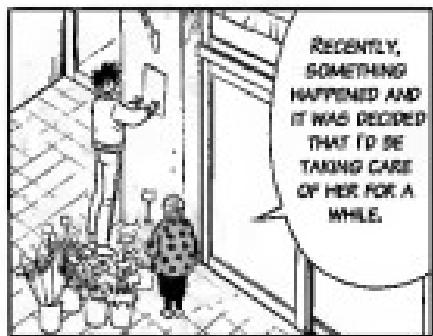


Hiring Assistant - Urgent

Looking for someone who wants to work hard. Interviews required

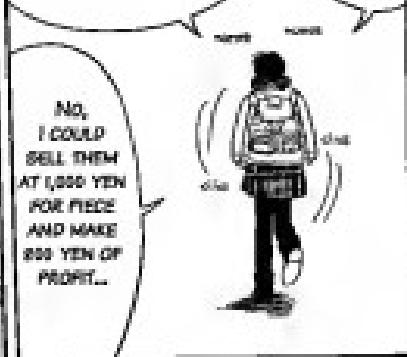
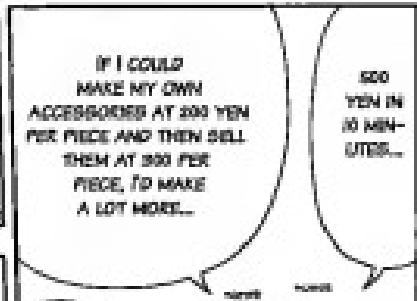
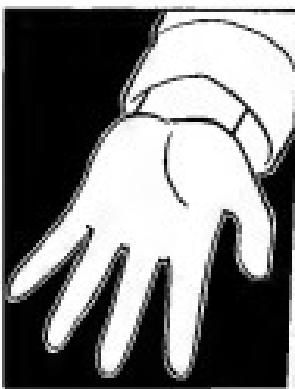
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Hush... Secret  
Office - 2F

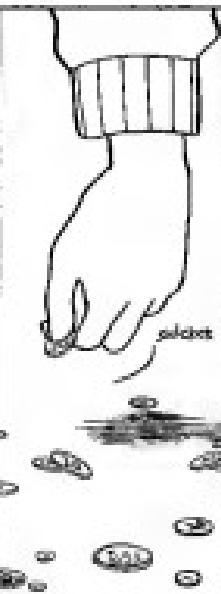
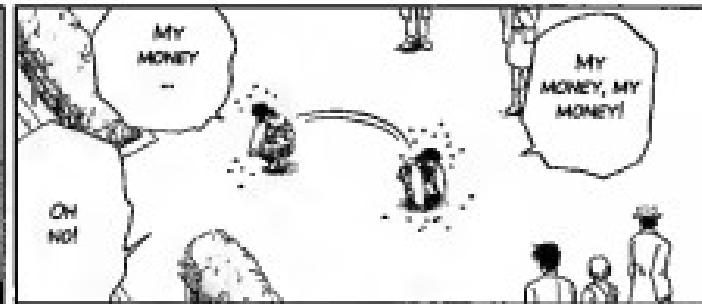
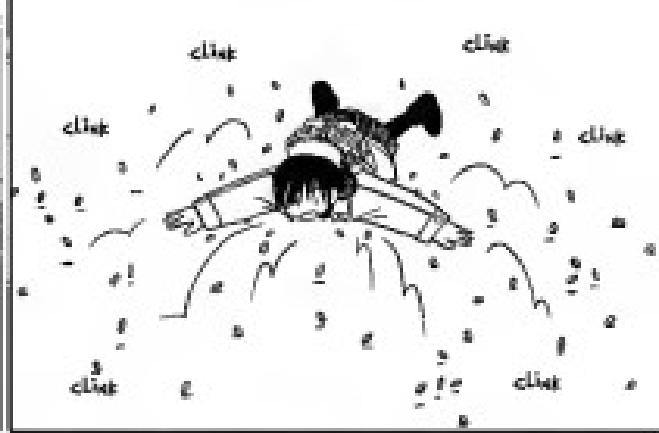




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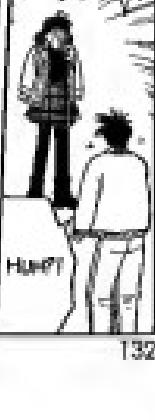
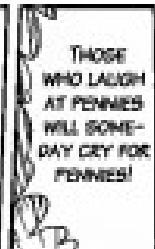






#49 SENSEI...!

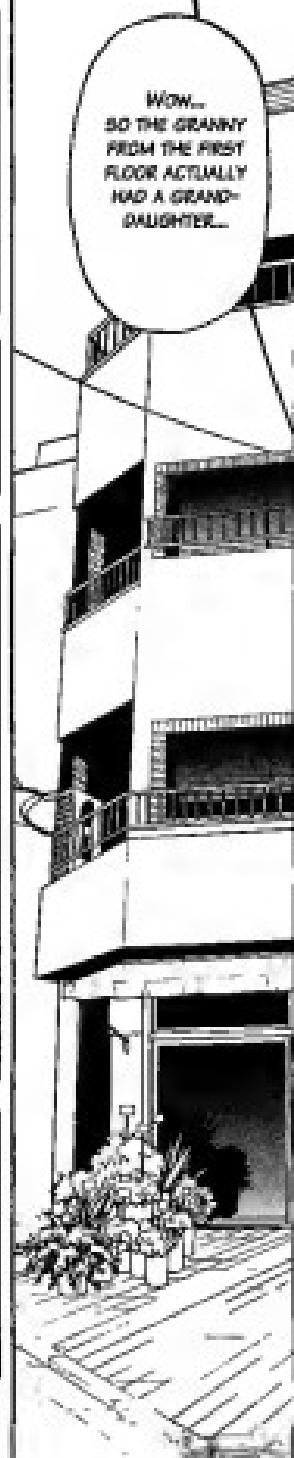
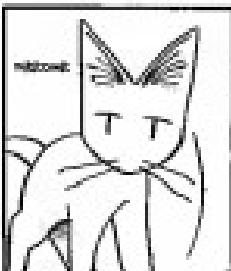


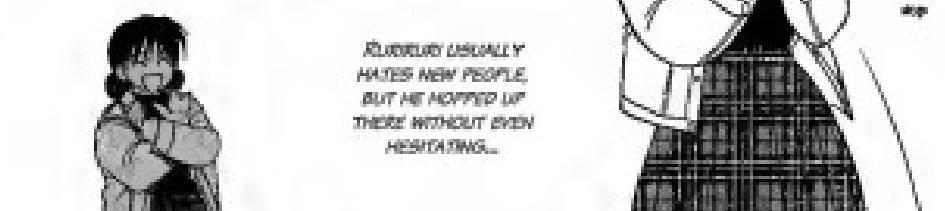




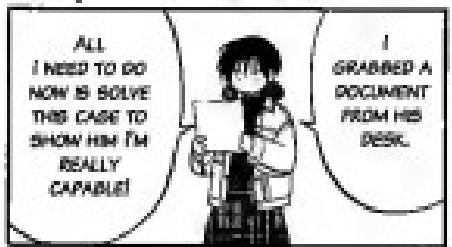
HELLOOOOOOL

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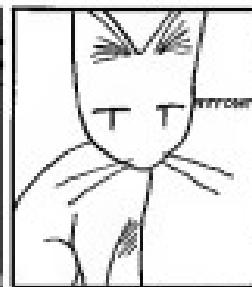
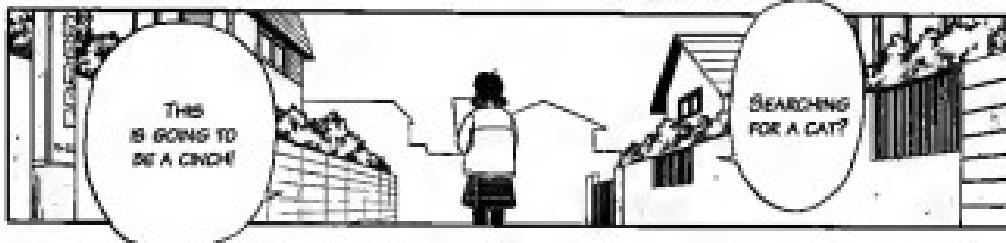








SPIKE, KNUFFL



WHEN RURIRURI CLIMBED UP A TREE AND COULDN'T GET DOWN, HOSHIZAKI-SENSEI CLIMBED UP AFTER IT.

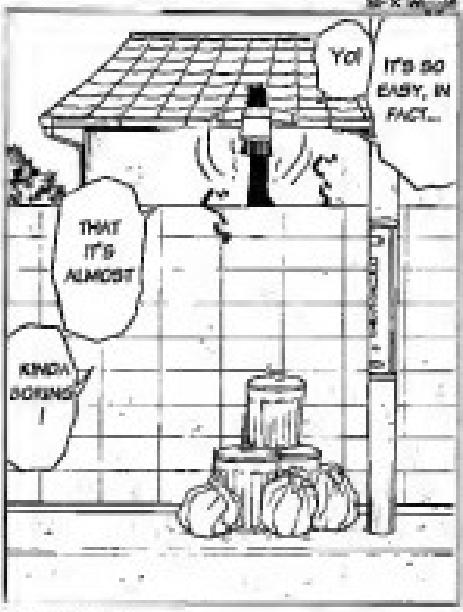
THEN SLIPPED, FELL, AND HURT HERSELF.

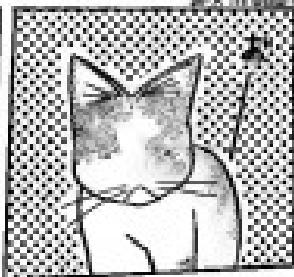


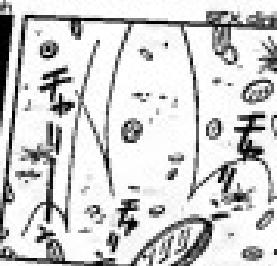
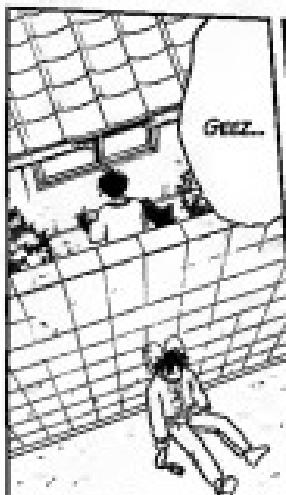
OH YEAH, AFTER I DIED...



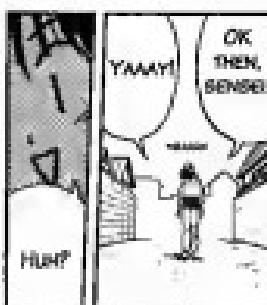
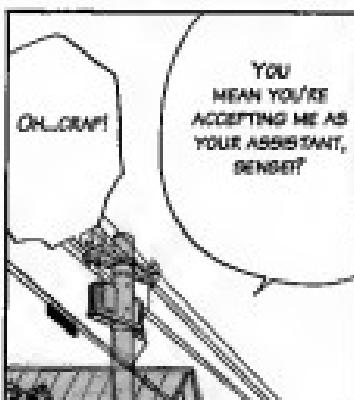
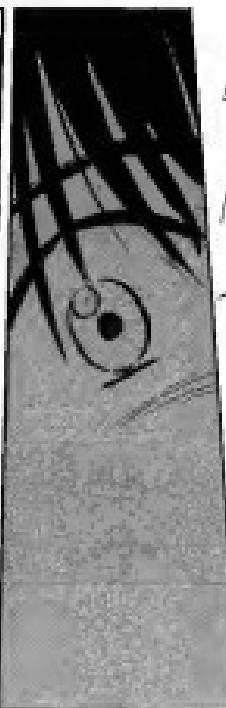
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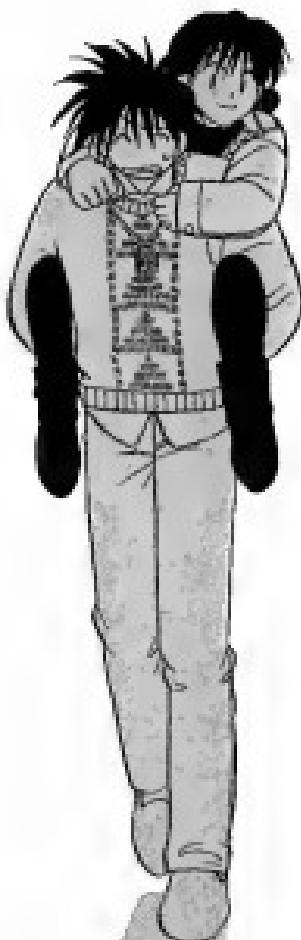




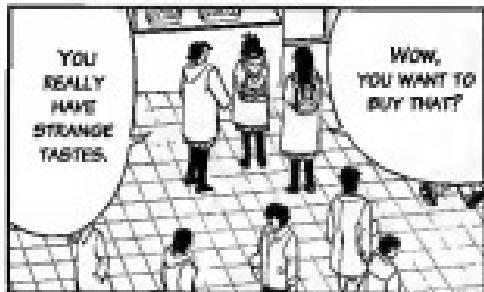


BY  
THE WAY,  
SENSEI!

GUESS  
I HAVE TO  
NOW...









MISOKA RETURNS!



SPFC speech

SPFC cough

IT  
WOULDN'T BE  
FAIR FOR ME TO  
ACCEPT HELP  
WHILE GRADING  
THEM.

MY  
STUDENTS ALL DID  
THEIR BEST TO  
SOLVE THESE  
PROBLEMS ON  
THEIR OWN,  
WITHOUT RELYING  
ON ANYONE ELSE.

I  
CAN DO  
THIS BY  
MYSELF!

No.



YOU'VE BEEN  
RUNNING AROUND  
AND GOING OUT  
OF TOWN, SO YOU  
HAVEN'T GOTTEN  
MUCH SLEEP  
LATELY, HAVE  
YOU?

I  
UNDERSTAND.  
BUT YOU KNOW  
THAT IN ORDER  
TO CURE A COLD,  
YOU DON'T JUST  
NEED MEDICINE,  
BUT SLEEP AS  
WELL?

I  
NEED  
TO FINISH  
GRADING ALL  
OF THESE BY  
TODAY.

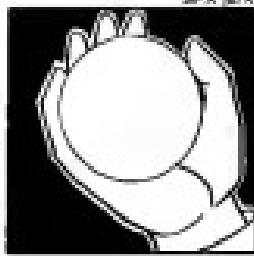
I  
PROMISED THE  
STUDENTS THAT I  
WOULD REVEAL  
THE ANSWERS TO  
THE QUESTIONS  
BY TOMORROW.



PROMISES  
ARE PROMISES!

EXCUSES  
ARE UNACCEPTABLE,  
NO MATTER  
THE REASON.





SHIN JAPAN

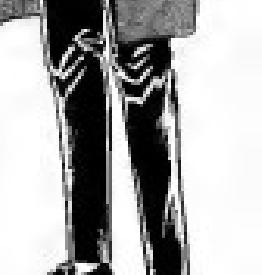
I'VE  
BEEN SINGING  
A LOT OF THESE  
RECENTLY...

RYO...  
ARE YOU  
NEARBY?

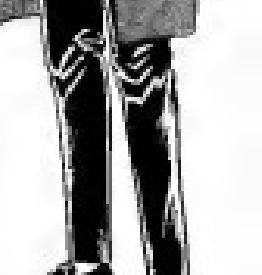




WHY  
DON'T YOU  
JUST TRUST IN  
YOUR OWN  
INTUITION?



THE  
TROUBLE WITH  
CHIGO ALL CAME  
ABOUT BECAUSE  
YOU TRUSTED IT  
TOO MUCH.



GLOWING  
OR NOT, THAT  
BALL IS ONLY A  
SINGLE CLUE,  
RIGHT?



A  
DIRECT  
FEELING



IF  
YOU END UP  
MEETING,



YOU  
AND RITO ARE  
CONNECTED.



NO...  
IT COULDN'T  
BE.



YOU  
SHOULD GET  
SOME KIND OF  
DIRECT FEELING  
THAT OTHER  
PEOPLE WON'T BE  
ABLE TO PICK  
UP ON.

#50

PROMISES ARE PROMISES...!



THOSE  
ARE YOUR  
FINAL GRADES  
FROM THE  
SECOND  
SEMESTER.

12,  
60, 58, 42  
-

DON'T  
UNDERESTIMATE  
DETECTIVE!

SEARCHING  
FOR LOST  
CATS ISN'T  
ALL WE DO.

HOW  
DID YOU  
GET THIS  
?!

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THESE  
ARE GRADES FROM  
BEFORE I ACTUALLY  
STARTED THE  
JOB!

H-  
HOLD ON  
A MINUTE!  
UHH,

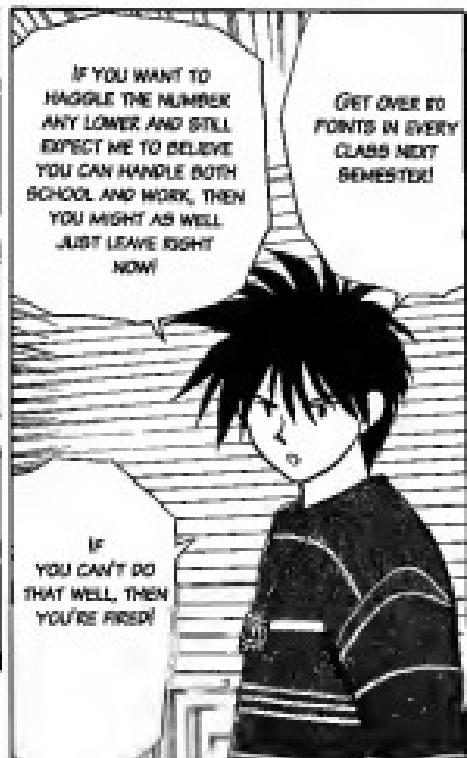
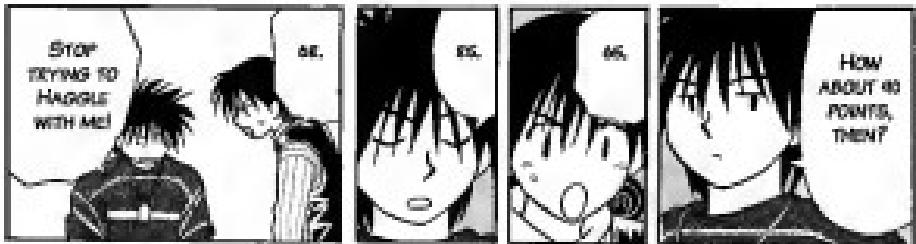
IF I  
REMEMBER CORRECTLY,  
YOU TOLD ME YOU COULD  
HANDLE BOTH WORK AND  
SCHOOL.

YOU  
MEAN YOU'RE  
GOING TO GET  
100% IN EVERY  
CLASS  
NOW?

So  
THESE  
GRADES  
DON T  
COUNT?

OMG



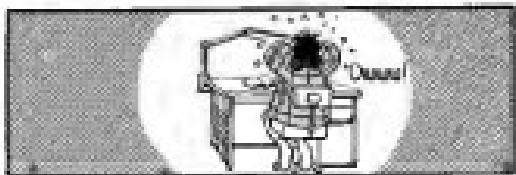






WHY  
DON'T YOU JUST  
TRUST IN YOUR OWN  
INTUITION?



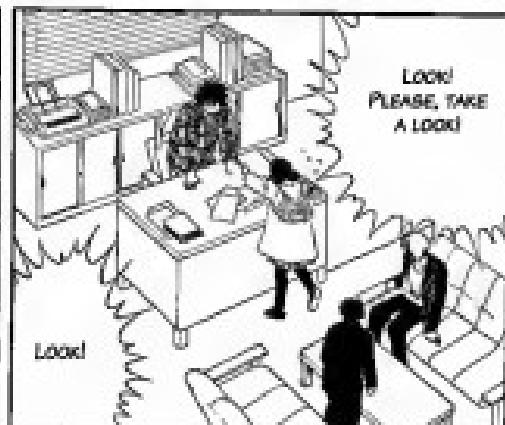


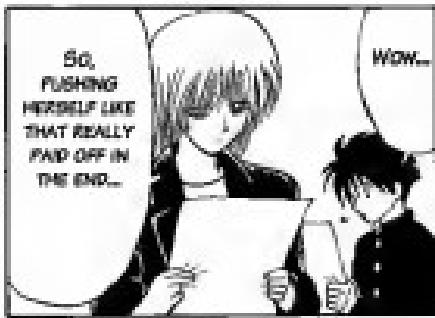


I DID IT,  
SENSEI!

I GOT  
OVER 80  
POINTS!

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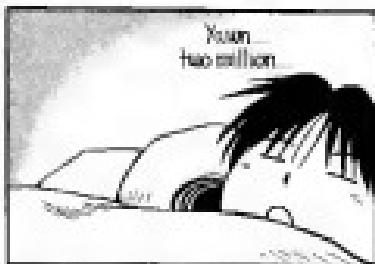


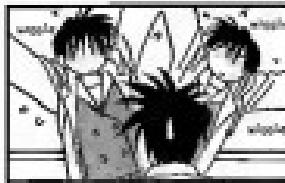


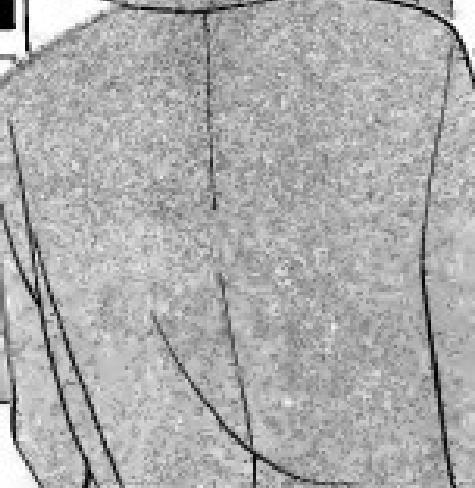
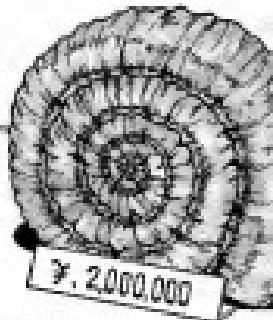
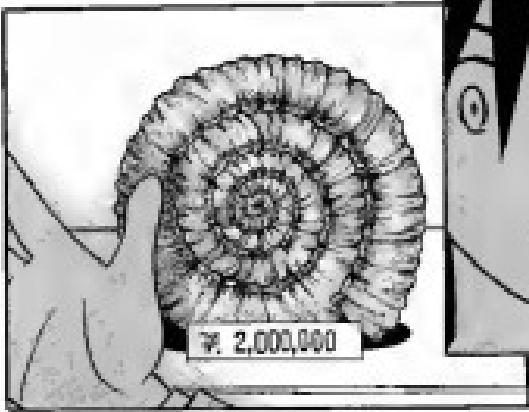
SHE  
WAS UP LATE  
STUDYING EVERY  
NIGHT,

SO  
SHE MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
MISSING A  
LOT OF SLEEP.













HISOKA RETURNS!



WHO'S  
THAT...BEAUTIFUL  
WOMAN?

#51 THE MAN IN MY DREAMS



AMMONITE



WHO'S  
THAT? I CAN'T SEE  
HIS FACE...BUT  
HE'S IMPORTANT



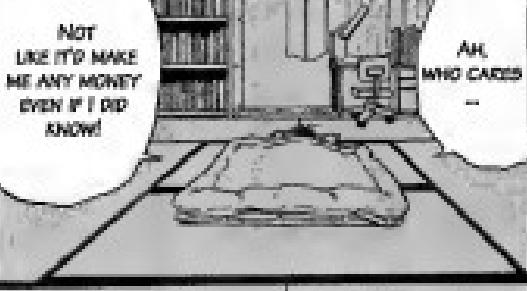
WAIT!





AND  
A MAN WHOSE FACE  
I CAN'T SEE...WHO ARE  
THEY? WHAT ARE  
THEY?

PLACES  
I'VE NEVER BEEN,  
PEOPLE I'VE NEVER  
MET...A BEAUTIFUL  
WOMAN,



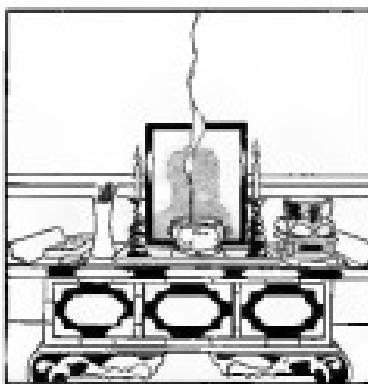
#51 THE MAN IN MY DREAMS



HER FATHER WAS ORDERED TO WORK OVERSEAS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, AND HE DECIDED TO GO ALONE.

AFTERWARDS, MIKARU LIVED ALONE WITH HER FATHER, BUT SEVERAL DAYS AGO,

MIKARU'S MOTHER DIED OF ILLNESS WHEN MIKARU WAS SEVEN YEARS OLD.



KAHORU'S HOUSE, WHICH ALSO ACTS AS HER FLOWER SHOP, IS ONLY TWO STATIONS, OR 2KM AWAY FROM MIKARU'S OLD HOUSE.



MIKARU'S GRANDMOTHER KAHORU DECIDED TO TAKE CARE OF HER IN THE MEANTIME.

BUT WAS ADMITTED TO THE HOSPITAL ONCE.



MIKARU IS A HEALTHY GIRL, AND NEVER EVEN CAUGHT A COLD.

SHE  
DROWNED  
IN A POOL  
AND NEARLY DIED.

LAST  
YEAR,  
ON  
JULY  
7...

Kurogane Mikuru (19)

Her  
NAME ALSO  
APPEARED IN  
MY LIST OF  
RITO  
CANDIDATES.

START  
THAT I DON'T  
EVEN BOTHER TO  
CHECK...

I HAD  
SUCH A NEGATIVE  
IMAGE OF MIKURU  
AT THE

COULD  
YOU REALLY BE  
RITO?

MIKURU...

ding dong



R  
REALLY? WELL,  
YEAH, NOW THAT  
YOU MENTION  
IT...

YOU'D  
NEVER PICK  
A JOB FOR SUCH  
A SILLY  
REASON!

LAW

I  
DUNNO,  
THEN!

AND  
THERE ARE  
BETTER PAYING  
JOBS OUT THERE,  
TOO.

OH,  
COME ON! YOU  
WOULDN'T WORK SO  
HARD UNLESS YOU HAD  
A PERFECTLY GOOD  
REASON!

JUST  
LIKE WITH THE  
AMMONITE,  
HUN?

IF  
I HAD TO  
SAY... I GUESS  
IT'S BECAUSE  
FOR SOME  
REASON...

YOU  
REALLY ARE  
A WEIRD.

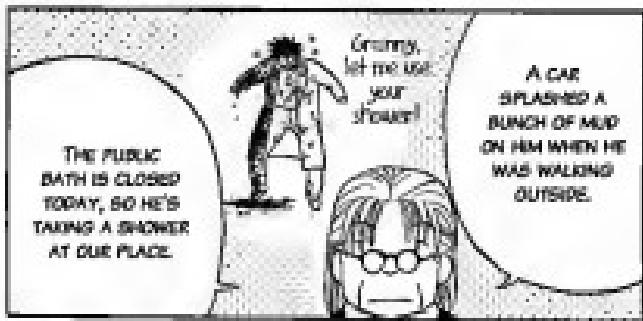
I DINE  
WEIRD DREAMS,  
TOO...

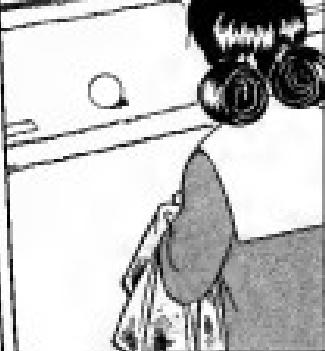
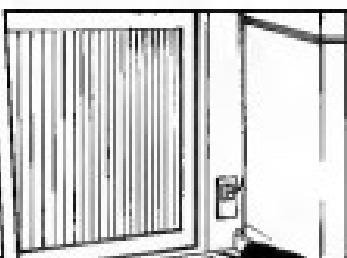
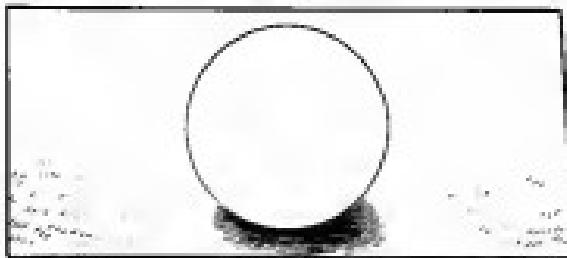
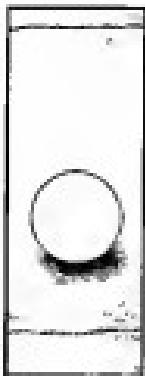
MAYBE  
THEY'RE  
RIGHT...



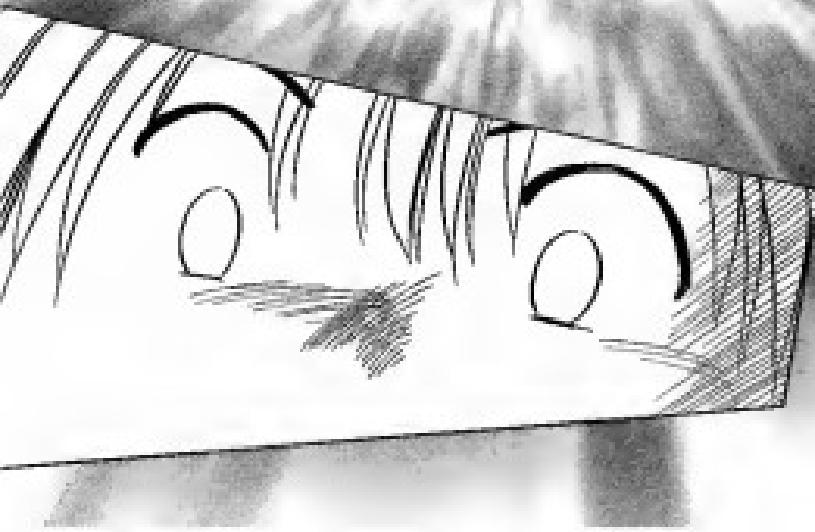
WHAT  
AM I TRYING TO  
DO?

WHO AM I?











THIS  
WOMAN...I KNOW HER  
SOMEHOW...

I'M  
GETTING A REALLY  
STRONG, FAMILIAR  
FEELING...WHO IS  
SHE?

MIKARU!!



WHAT  
HAPPENED?



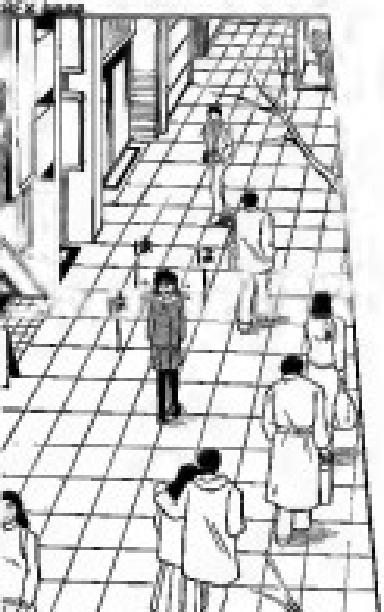
IT'S  
THE SAME  
SILHOUETTE  
FROM MY  
DREAM!



HE'S  
THE MAN IN MY  
DREAMS!

SCHOOL...







WHO  
IS HE? WHO'S THAT  
WOMAN? WHAT'S THAT  
BALL? AND WHY WAS I  
DREAMING ABOUT THEM?  
WHAT DOES IT HAVE TO DO  
WITH ME?!

WHAT  
DOES THAT  
MEAN?!



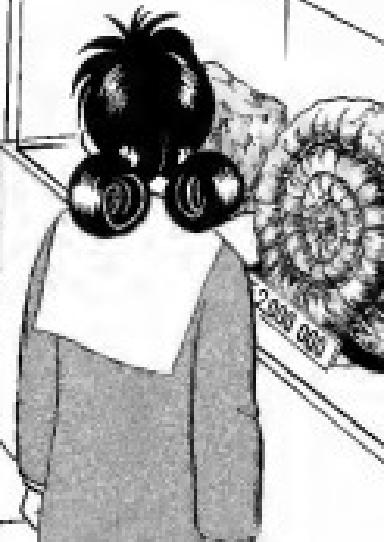
an even dumber version of "em."

I'LL  
TELL YA ALL  
YA NEED TO  
KNOW.

YA  
NEEDN'T  
WORRY,  
THOUGH.

AND  
NOW YA GOT  
NO IDEA WHAT'S  
GOING ON...

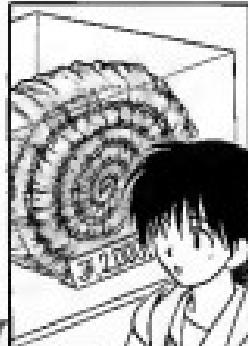
HOSHIZAO  
KOTO-HAN!





H I S O K A R E T U R N S !

AND  
THEN, WHEN  
SHE TOUCHED  
THE TRAVERS, IT LET  
OUT AN INTENSE  
GLOW.



MIKARU...!  
SHE WAS DRAWN TO  
THE APPARATE, EVEN  
THOUGH SHE DIDN'T  
KNOW WHY...



ON  
JULY 7,  
SHE HAD A  
NEAR-DEATH  
EXPERIENCE...



AND  
IF I'M TO BELIEVE IN  
THEIR... THEN THAT MEANS  
MIKARU IS RYOJI

IF  
THAT'S SOMEHOW  
CONNECTED TO MY  
OWN INSTINCTS  
...

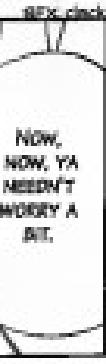
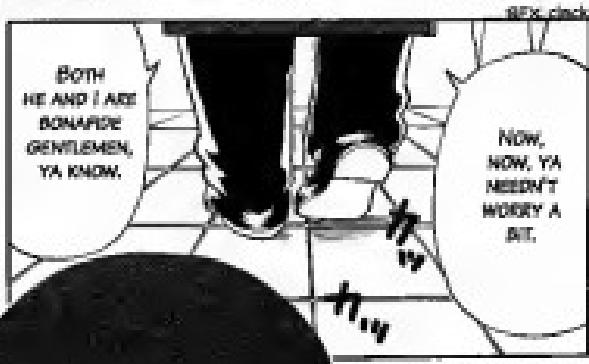
#52

THE MAN WHO KNOWS THE TRUTH

HOSHIZAKI  
RITCH-SAN.

YOU  
COMING  
WITH  
ME.





C'MON,  
FOLLOW ME,  
HILLYA!

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I'VE  
BEEN LOOKING  
STRAIGHT AT YA  
THE ENTIRE  
TIME!

WERE YOU  
TALKING  
TO ME?

HMM?

JUST  
COME WITH ME,  
ALRIGHT? I TOLD  
YA, I'LL EXPLAIN  
EVERYTHING!

NO,  
YOU  
ARE!

YEAH,  
I THINK  
YOU'RE  
CONFUSED.

HOSHIZAO  
KYO

BUT,  
UML...THAT'S  
NOT MY NAME.

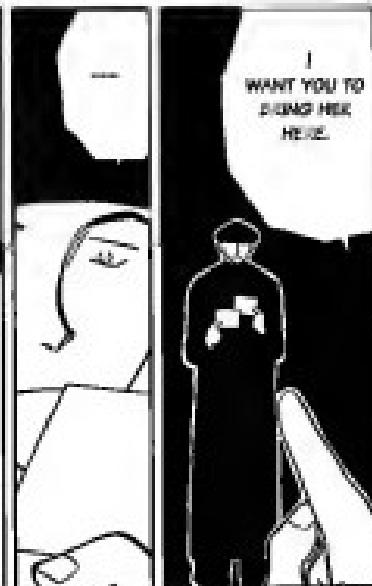
DO  
YOU HAVE A  
THING FOR LITTLE  
GIRLS IN  
UNIFORM, THEN?  
I WANT MONEY,  
BUT NOT THAT  
BADLY...

I DON'T  
MENTION ANY-  
THING ABOUT  
SOME CRUMMY  
STAMP!

I'M  
NOT A  
PERVERT  
EITHER!

OH, I GET IT!  
YOU'RE TRYING TO TELL ME I  
HAVE A BAD NAME, SO YOU  
WANT TO TRY TO CHANGE IT  
FOR ME AND THEN SELL ME AN  
EXPENSIVE NAME STAMP, ISN'T IT?  
YOU'RE TRYING TO PUSH  
BUSINESS ON ME!





NOT  
FOR DOCUMENTARY  
PURPOSES ONLY

ANALYST  
SCHOOL  
INVESTIGATOR  
SCHOOL  
INTERVIEWER  
SCHOOL  
INTERVIEWER  
SCHOOL  
INTERVIEWER  
SCHOOL

THAT'S  
ABOUT SHIT'S  
LAST NAME  
OR SOMETHING  
DO YOU NEED  
TO PRACTICE  
THAT?

WANT?

B...  
BYE  
NOW!

THIS  
GUY SEEKS  
KINDA  
DANGEROUS.

SUPER  
RARE ONE! ONLY  
200 COPIES EXIST!  
I SPENT A LOT OF  
TIME GATHERING  
'EM ALL!

I'VE  
GOT A WHOLE  
COLLECTION!

A  
STUFFED  
ANIMAL?

I'LL  
GIVE THEM ALL  
TO YOU, SO  
HOW 'BOUT  
COMING WITH  
ME, EH?  
  
IT'S  
FOR AN  
IMPORTANT  
MISSION, I  
HAD TO...

IF YOU'RE  
GOINNA GIVE ME  
SOMETHING, I'D  
RATHER HAVE  
MONEY.

NO  
THANKS.

Hunk

But  
but

Yay





THE LIGHT  
FROM THE TEAHOUSE PROBABLY  
JUST SCARED HER, BUT... SHE  
MIGHT HAVE SEEN RITO  
INSIDE THERE. HOW AM I  
GOING TO EXPLAIN  
ALL THIS?

SHE  
RAN OUT IN  
SUCH A  
HURRY...





HOW  
MUCH LONGER  
ARE WE GOING  
TO WALK  
FOR?





SHOULD  
JUST DONE THIS FROM  
THE START!



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SORRY  
FOR YOU

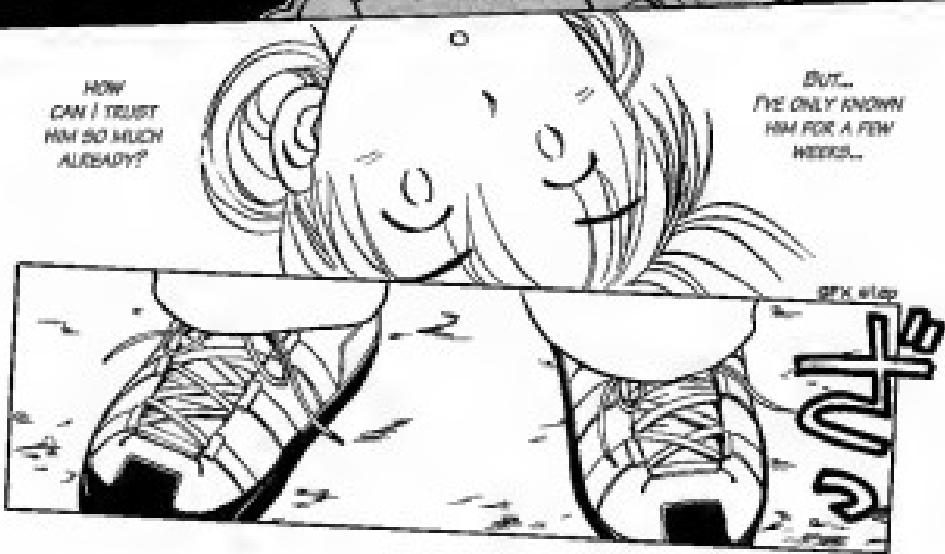
SENSEI!



NOPE  
JAPANESE GOURMET  
FOR BREAKFAST,  
GOURMET,  
JAPANESE,  
GOURMET,  
JAPANESE,  
GOURMET,

HOW  
CAN I TRUST  
HIM SO MUCH  
ALREADY?

BUT...  
I'VE ONLY KNOWN  
HIM FOR A FEW  
WEEKS...





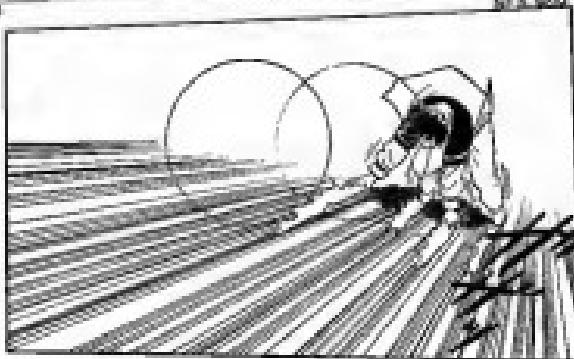
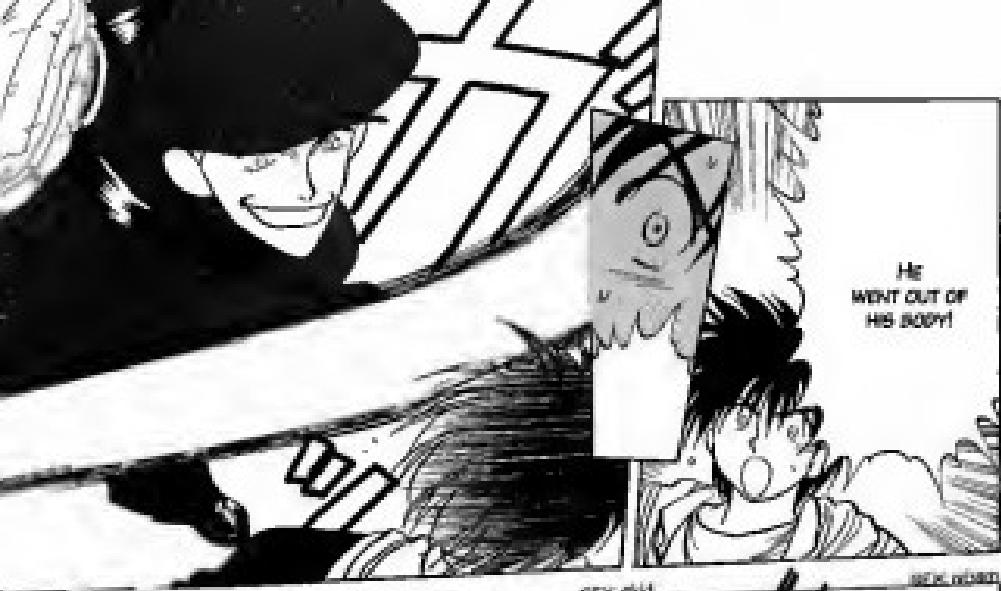


SPIKE SHARP











WHO ARE YOU?



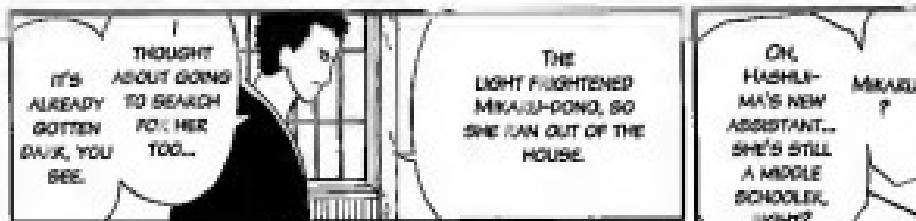
TA  
DIDN'T NOTICE  
US AT ALL. DID  
YA? HASHIMURA  
HISOKA?

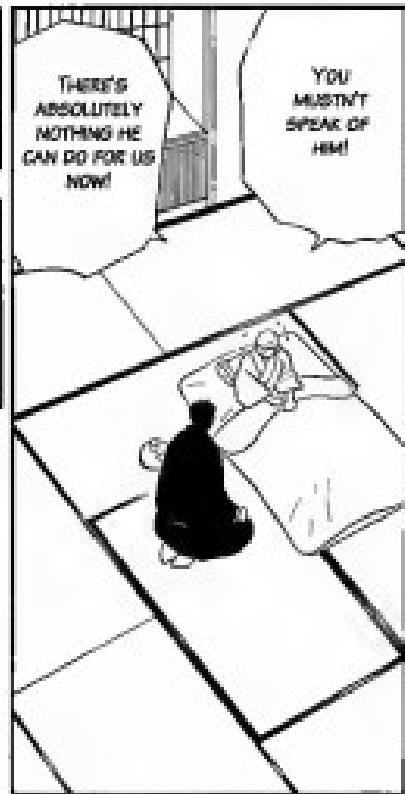
WE'VE  
BEEN WATCHING  
RITO-HAN FOR  
THE PAST HALF A  
YEAR! EVER  
SINCE THE  
TRANSMIGRATION!



MISOKA RETURNS!









#53 A DECISION BORN FROM BOND

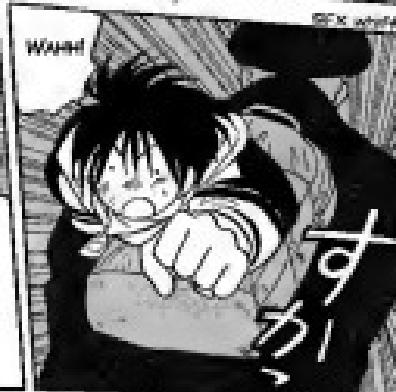
ANNOYED  
GUILTY  
ANGRY  
MAD  
DESPAIRING  
DOWN  
DISAPPOINTED  
FEARFUL

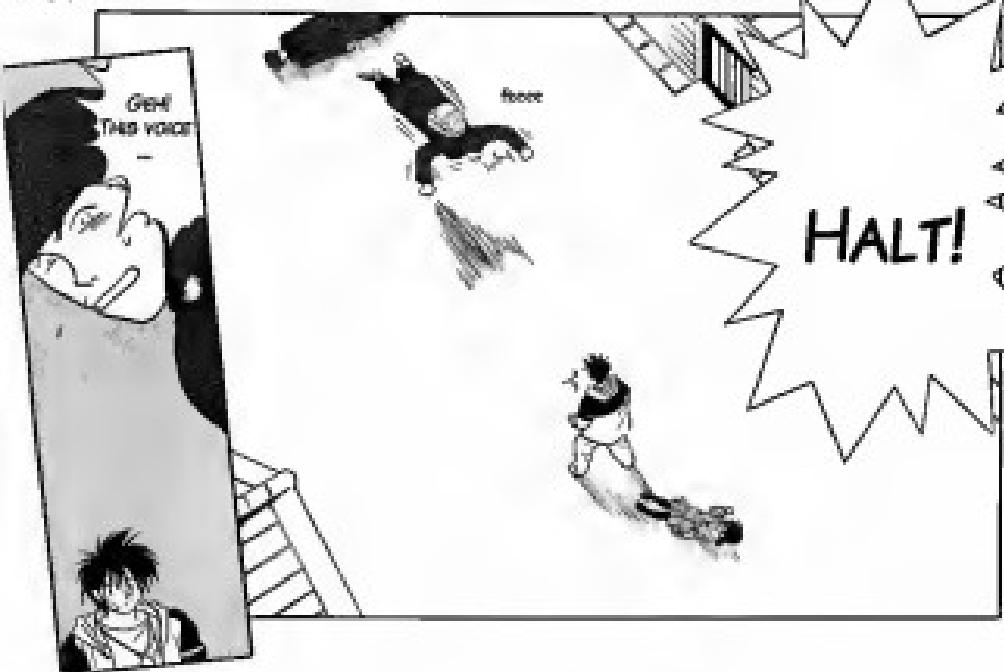


WH-WHAT  
IN THE WORLD IS  
GOING ON HERE?! I  
MUST HAVE USED MY  
BRAIN TOO MUCH WHEN  
I WAS STUDYING FOR  
CLASS!





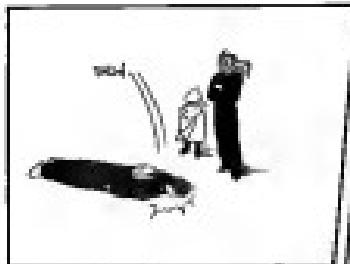




SHHAOO-HAAH!

ANOTHER  
ONE?! THIS IS  
BAD...





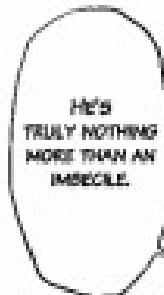


BRK dip



BRK  
BRK dip  
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BRK dip



O\_O



THIS IS  
BECAUSE

I WAS  
THE ONE WHO  
TRANSMIGRATED  
RYO-SAN'S SOUL  
INTO HER.

WHAT?

AND  
SO, I KEPT  
WATCH OVER  
HER FOR HALF  
A YEAR.

BUT  
THIS GIRL SEEMED  
LIKE SHE WOULD BE  
EASY TO KEEP  
WATCH OVER, SO  
I PICKED HER.

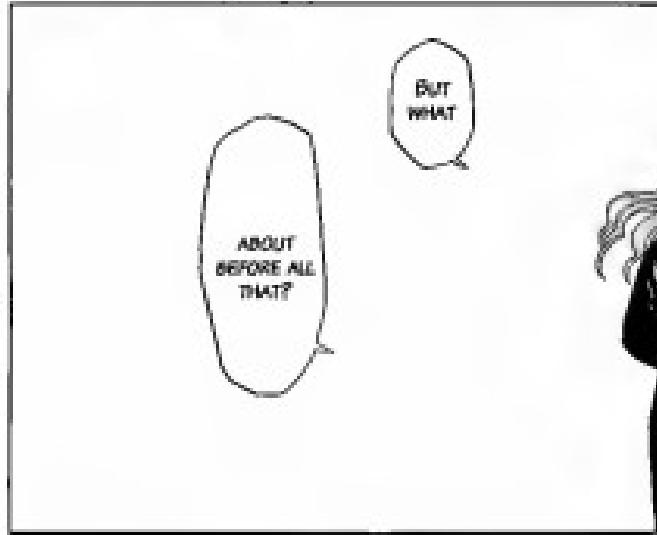
IF RYO-  
SAN'S SOUL HAD BEEN  
LEFT ALONE, IT SURELY  
WOULD HAVE PASSED  
ON INTO SOMEONE  
ELSE'S BODY.



JUST  
WHO ARE YOU  
PEOPLE!

WHY...  
WHY  
WERE YOU  
WATCHING  
RYO AND  
MIKARU  
??





WHETHER  
OR NOT YOU'VE BEEN  
REINCARNATED  
BEFORE?



HAVEN'T  
YOU EVER  
WONDERED...

WHAT?!

—?

IT  
DON'T LOOK LIKE I'LL  
BE ABLE TO GET AWAY  
WITH MIRAI. BUT IT'S  
TOO DANGEROUS TO  
LEAVE HER WITH  
THEM...

FOR  
THAT TIME  
BECOL...



I  
LIKE TO DISCUSS  
THIS IN DETAIL  
WITH YOU.

WOULD  
YOU PLEASE  
COME WITH  
US?

READY  
TO KILL



Diesel  
LET'S GO!

WHAT  
SHOULD  
I DO?













HISOKA RETURNS!

ROCK  
ROCKIN' ROLLING  
ROCK AND ROLL  
ROCKERS WORLD  
ROCKIN' ROCK

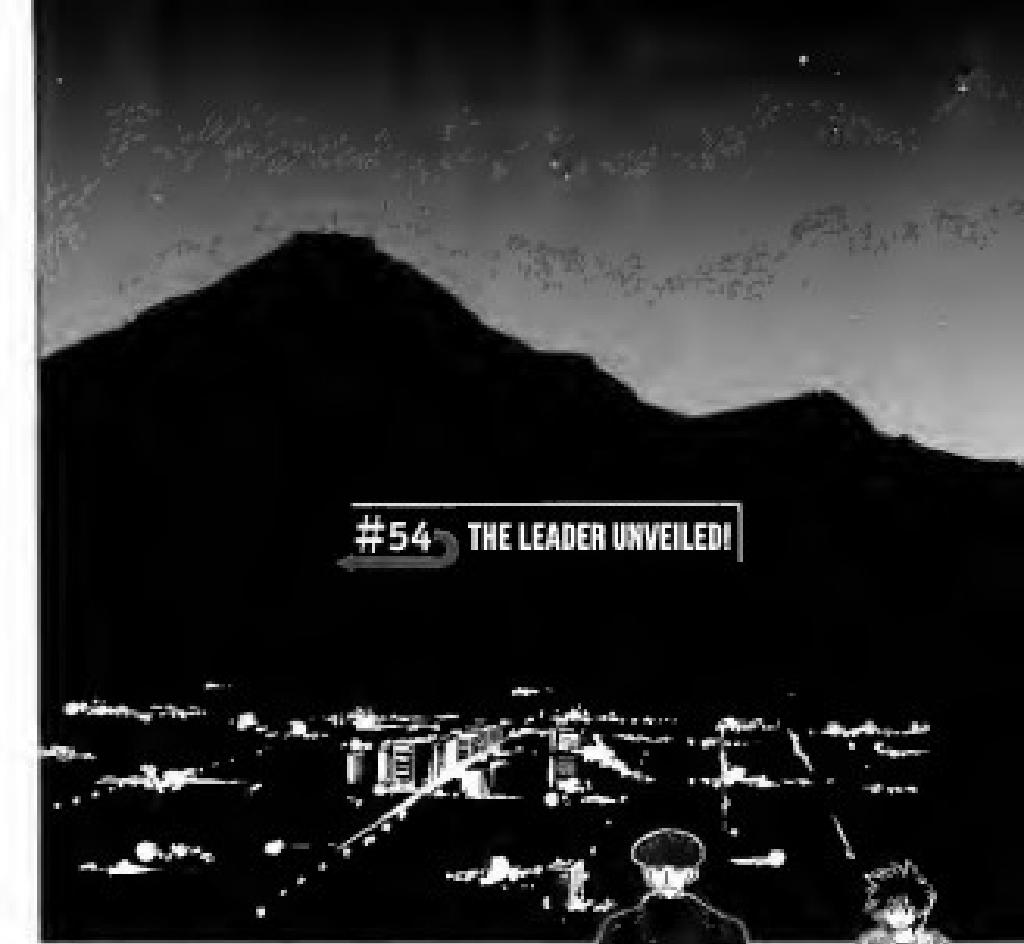
ROCK  
ROCKIN' ROLLING  
ROCK AND ROLL  
ROCKERS WORLD  
ROCKIN' ROCK

THEN  
WHO COULD THEIR  
LEADER BE? AND WHAT  
ARE THEY AFTER? TO  
RIO, ME, AND  
MICHAEL... ARE THEY  
FRIENDS OR  
ENEMIES?

THEY  
KNEW ABOUT THE  
TRANSMIGRATION...  
AND ABOUT RIO... IF  
THEY KNOW EVERY-  
THING,

Either way,  
there's no turning  
back now...





#54 THE LEADER UNVEILED!















I'VE GOT  
A GENERAL GRASP  
OF HIS STRENGTH NOW,  
TOOK BUT THIS SHABABU  
GUY...HE'S A TOTAL  
HELP CARD...



The  
BIG ONE'S JUST A  
SIMPLE-MINDED  
FOOL.

CAN YOU  
TAKE YOUR  
SOUL OUT OF  
YOUR BODY,  
MAG?

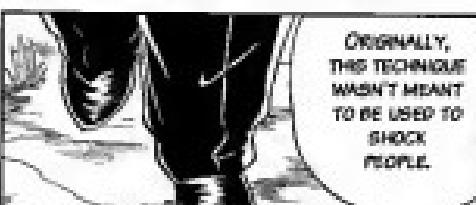
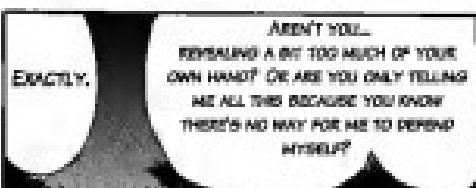
YES,  
I CAN.

*Guess  
THE Y'S NO  
USE IN PON-  
DERIN' IT  
ANymore.  
Dow...*



YES,  
I CAN

**YOU CAN  
REINCARNATE  
SOULS TOO,  
CAN'T YOU?**



I WAS  
BORN WITH THIS  
ABILITY, SO IT'S AS  
NATURAL TO ME AS  
BREATHING.

BUT  
IN EXCHANGE FOR  
MY SIGHT, I CAN  
ENTER OTHERS' MINDS  
WHENEVER I LIKE AND  
LOOK AT THINGS  
THROUGH THEIR  
EYES.

I  
AM BLIND  
—

I REALIZED  
I COULD ATTACK  
PEOPLE WITH IT  
WHEN I WAS  
FIVE.



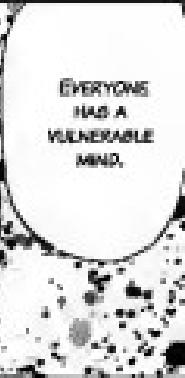
DONE  
CLASSMATES WERE  
TRYING TO TORTURE MY  
PET CAT, SO I USED IT TO  
DESTROY THEM.



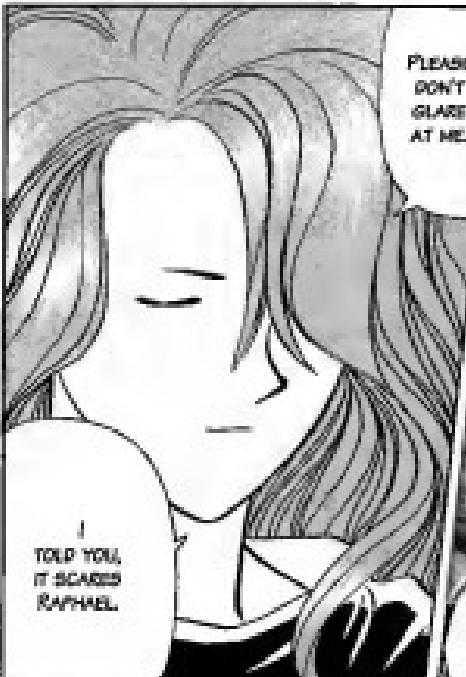


UNLESS I  
USE A GENTLE TOUCH,  
I RISK KNOCKING  
THEM OUT OR  
ERASING THEIR  
MEMORIES ENTIRELY.

THEREFORE,  
I'M CAREFUL NOT TO  
GET TOO ANGRY IN  
EVERYDAY LIFE.



EVERYONE  
HAS A  
VULNERABLE  
MIND.



PLEASE  
DON'T  
GLARE  
AT ME.

I  
TOLD YOU.  
IT SCARES  
RAPHAEL.



DOES  
EVERYONE  
HAVE  
A  
VULNERABLE  
MIND?

DOES  
EVERYONE  
HAVE  
A  
VULNERABLE  
MIND?

**EIGHT  
NOW, HE'S JUST  
CALMLY GLARING  
DOWN ON AN ANT  
THAT'S CRAWLED  
UP ONTO HIS  
FOOT!**

TO HIM,  
OTHER PEOPLE  
ARE JUST ANTS  
THAT HE CAN  
CRUSH ANYTIME  
HE WANTS...

## **Example 1:**



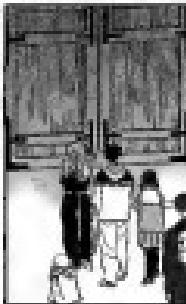
**DON'T  
WORRY  
ABOUT**

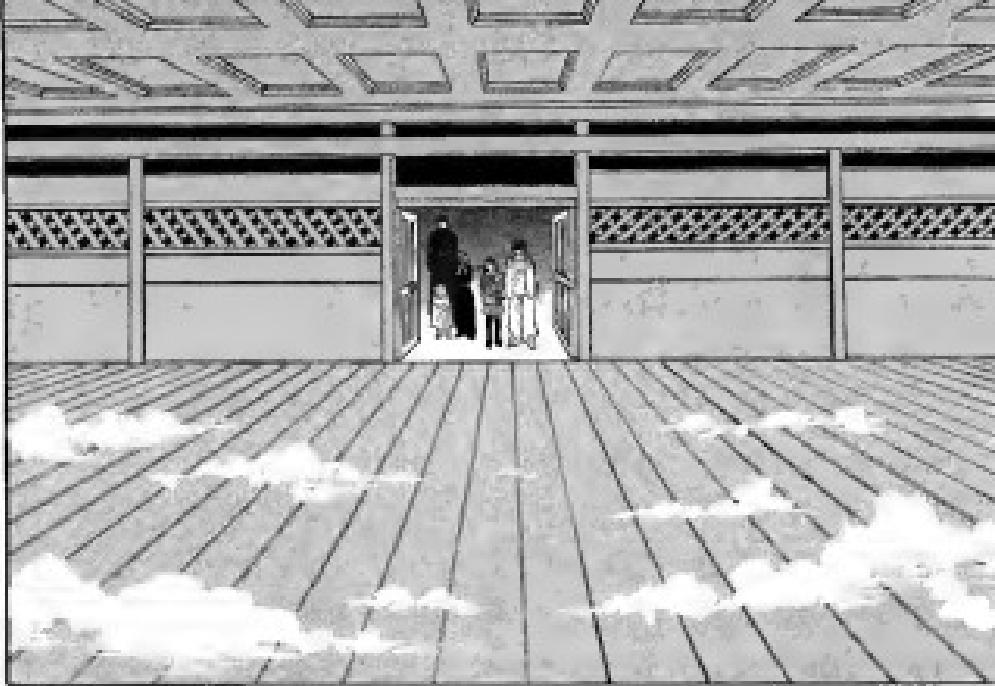
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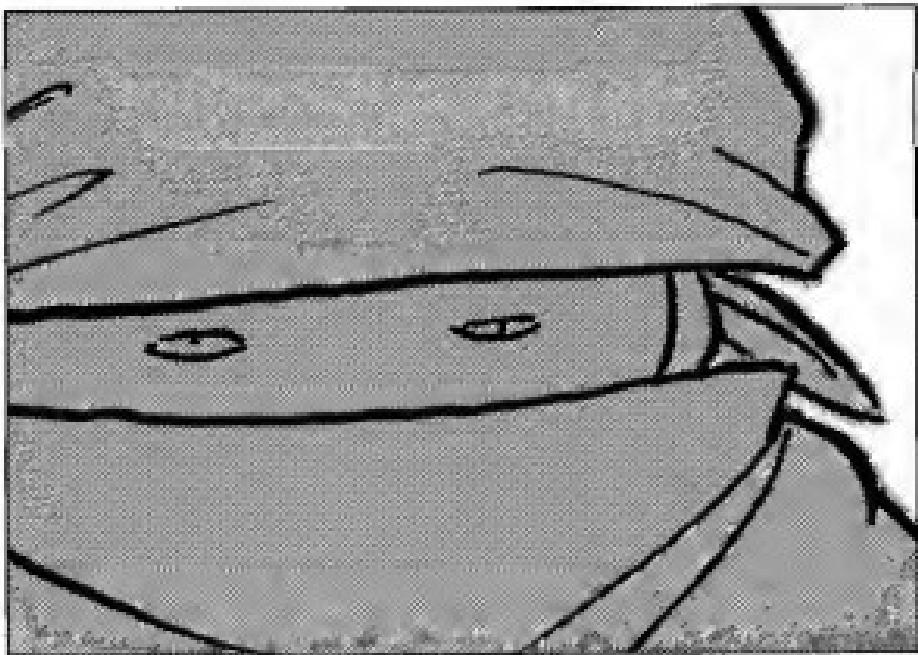
**ANSWER**  
Simplifying  
Algebraic Expressions  
Using the Distributive  
Property



HERE  
WE  
ARE.





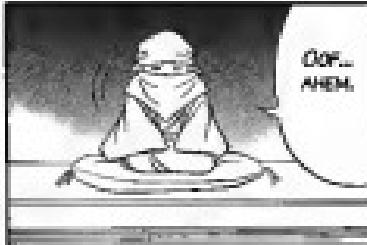
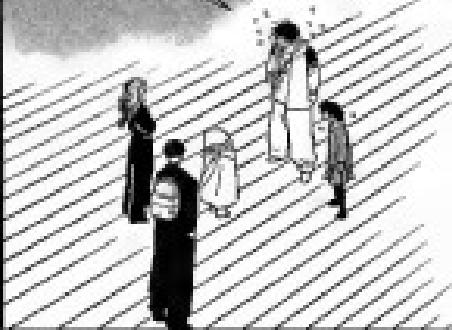
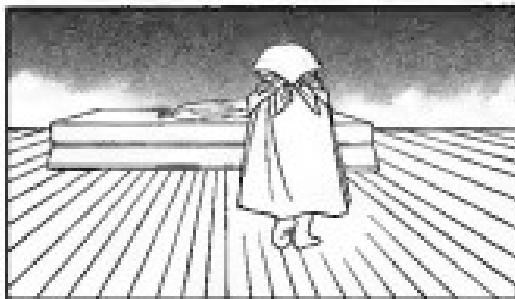




YOU  
MISUNDERSTAND. THE  
REASON WE BROUGHT  
YOU HERE IS BECAUSE WE  
MUSTN'T DISCUSS  
ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF  
THE BARRIER.

YOU  
WERE WITH US THE  
ENTIRE TIME! WHY  
DID WE HAVE TO  
COME ALL THE WAY  
UP HERE?!

THEN  
WHAT WAS  
THAT LONG  
DRAMATIC  
WALK  
FOR?!



OOF...  
AHEM.



WHAT,  
MIZARU?  
YOU HAVE  
TO GO TO  
THE BATH  
ROOM?



I'M PRETTY SURE I  
WAS JUST SEEING  
SOMETHING, BUT...  
THAT PERSON...

SH...  
SENSEI  
—

TH...

THAT VOICE

—



SHINAZU-  
CHAN, PLEASE  
BRING IN MATS  
AND TEA.

THERE'S  
NO REASON TO  
STAND UP WHILE  
WE TALK.  
PLEASE, TAKE  
A SEAT.

SPX.indd



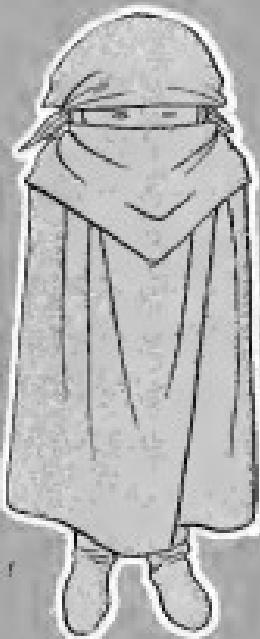
OK.





MIHARU'S  
GRANDMA?!

AH...I  
THOUGHT SO.  
SHE LOOKS  
LIKE THAT TO  
YOU TOO,  
SENSEI?



HISOKA RETURNS!

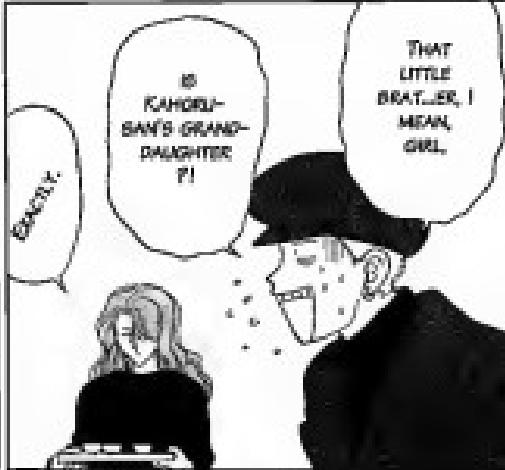
#55 A MAN YOU CAN COUNT ON



YOU  
ALWAYS FORGET  
THE MOST  
IMPORTANT  
THINGS WHEN  
YOU HEAR A LOT  
AT ONCE, SO I  
DON'T BOTHER.

WELL  
GEE...YA  
COULD'VE TOLD  
ME THAT A  
LITTLE EARLIER...

THAT  
LITTLE  
BRATTLER, I  
MEAN,  
GRL.



SENSEI,  
THIS MUST  
BE SOME  
KIND OF BIG  
PRACTICAL  
JOKE.

classmate classmate



HERE  
YOU  
ARE.



EX: twitch



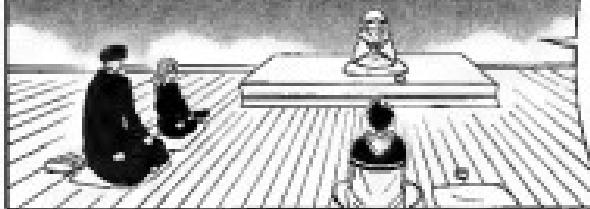
LKE,  
MAYBE  
THERE'S A  
HIDDEN  
CAMERA  
OVER HERE



THAT WAS PRETTY MESSED UP OF YOU, THOUGH, TO GO ON ACTING LIKE AN INNOCENT OLD LADY FOR SO LONG...

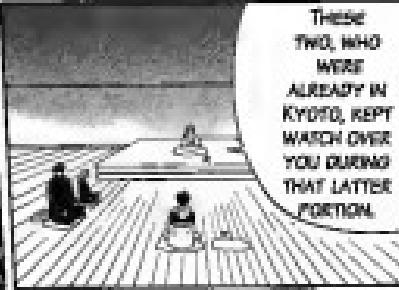
IF YOU WERE THE WATCHER, GRANNY, THEN IT ALL MAKES SENSE NOW. YOU WERE ALWAYS JUST DOWNTOWNS FROM ME.

ACCORDING TO THE BIG GUY, SOMEONE'S BEEN WATCHING US THE ENTIRE TIME.



I INITIALLY STARTED WATCHING YOU JUST BEFORE THE TRANSFORMATION, AFTER ALL.

BUT IT WAS STILL TOO MUCH WORK FOR ME TO HANDLE ALONE.



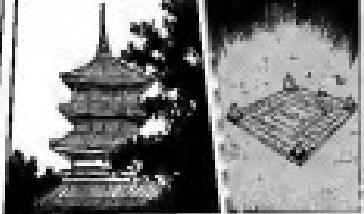
THESE TWO, WHO WERE ALREADY IN KYOTO, KEPT WATCH OVER YOU DURING THAT LATTER PORTION.

NEW WATCHER YOU DURING THE TRANSFORMATION

AS WELL AS THE HALF YEAR OF TRAINING YOU DID IN KYOTO.

I GOT THERE BEFORE YOU DID AND OPENED A FLOWER SHOP.

THEN, WHEN I FOUND OUT YOU WERE GOING TO START A DETECTIVE OFFICE IN THAT BUILDING AFTER YOU RETURNED FROM KYOTO,



IT WAS  
TOO EARLY  
FOR THAT,  
THOUGH.

AT THAT  
RATE, I FIGURED IT  
WOULD ONLY BE A  
MATTER OF TIME  
BEFORE YOU  
DISCOVERED  
MIKARU.

AFTER  
OPENING YOUR  
DETECTIVE OFFICE, YOU  
ASSEMBLED A LIST OF  
RITO CANDIDATES AT AN  
ALARMING SPEED.

SO  
THAT'S WHY SHE  
HAD ME DO ALL  
THOSE PETTY  
JOBS...

I NEEDED  
YOU TO CONTINUE  
YOUR DETECTIVE  
JOB FOR A BIT  
LONGER.

THANKS  
TO THAT, I WAS  
ABLE TO DELAY  
YOUR SEARCH  
FOR RITO-SAN.

YOU'RE  
GOOD-NATURED,  
MR. DETECTIVE... SO  
YOU NEVER TURN  
DOWN PEOPLE  
ASKING FOR  
HELP.

EXACTLY.

THEN  
THERE WAS  
THE CHINO-CHAN  
INCIDENT.



IT HAD ITS DANGEROUS MOMENTS, BUT YOU SOLVED IT EFFORTLESSLY.

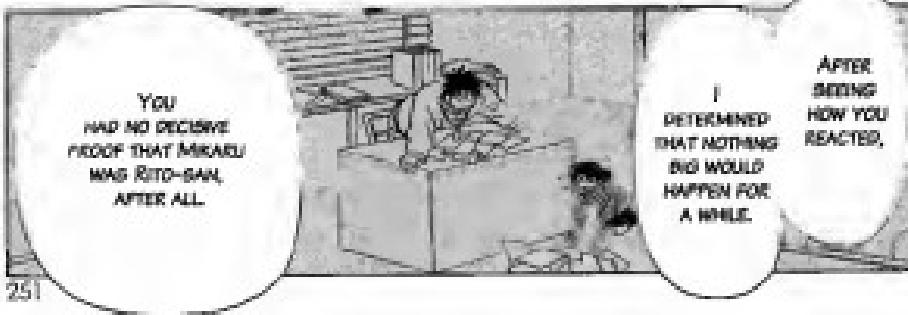


THE  
PERFECT  
CHANCE

AND TO US, IT WAS THE PERFECT CHANCE TO MEASURE YOUR SKILL AS A DETECTIVE. IT WAS THE BIGGEST CASE YOU'D HAD SO FAR...



THEN, RIGHT AFTER THAT INCIDENT, IT WAS DECIDED THAT I HAD TO TAKE CUSTODY OF MIKANU.



AFTER SEEING HOW YOU REACTED,



THE SEAL I HAD PLACED ON MIKARU BROKE OPEN EARLIER THAN I HAD EXPECTED IT TO.

BUT THEN, SOMETHING UNEXPECTED HAPPENED.



NO, SHE IS  
INDEED MY  
FLESH AND  
BLOOD.

YOU MEAN... MIKARU  
ISN'T YOUR REAL  
GRANDDAUGHTER?

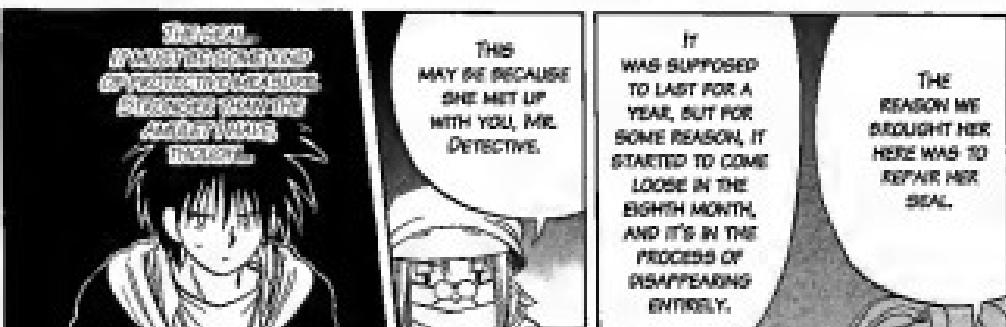
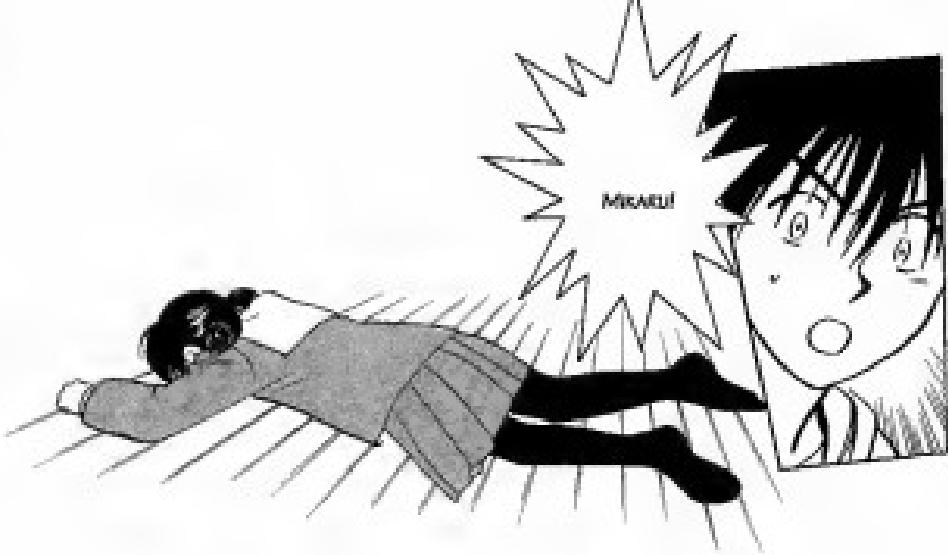


THAT'S  
WHY WE HAD TO  
BRING HER HERE  
AS QUICKLY AS  
POSSIBLE.



THAT ALLOWED  
KITO-SAN'S  
MEMORIES TO  
START FLOATING  
RAPIDLY TO THE  
SURFACE OF  
MIKARU'S  
MIND.







WE  
WANT RITO-SAN  
TO STAY INSIDE  
MIRAI  
FOREVER.



FOR WE  
NEEDED TO  
HIDE RYO-SAN'S  
EXISTENCE FROM A  
CERTAIN BEING.

THIS  
WAS EXTREMELY  
CONVENIENT  
FOR US,

KOTO-SAN  
DISAPPEARED  
ON THE  
NIGHT OF THE  
TRANSMIGRATION.

How  
COME NO  
ONE EVER  
TOLD ME  
ABOUT  
THIS?

FROM  
A CERTAIN  
BEING  
...

LIKE  
THIS "BEING"  
IS SOME BAD  
GUY.

AND  
THAT SINCE YOU'RE  
PROTECTING RYO,  
YOU'RE ON HER  
SIDE.

IT ALMOST  
SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE  
TRYING TO SAY THAT  
YOU'RE THE ONES  
PROTECTING RYO  
HERE.

YOU  
NEEDED TO  
HIDE HER FROM  
A CERTAIN  
BEING?

EXACTLY.

THE  
HELL  
YOU  
ARE!!

AND NOW  
YOU'RE SAYING  
THAT YOU'RE  
PROTECTING  
MOTOKO'S  
WHAT?

BUT  
YOU WERE ALSO  
USING PEOPLE'S  
MISFORTUNE...  
RITO'S  
AND CHIHO-  
CHAN'S...JUST FOR  
YOUR OWN  
CONVENIENCE!

SO  
THAT'S WHAT THIS  
IS ALL ABOUT...NOT  
ONLY WERE YOU  
PLAYING WITH  
PEOPLE'S LIVES AS  
IF THEY WERE YOUR  
OWN TOYS.

BUT FROM  
MY POINT OF VIEW,  
YOU'RE THE REAL  
BAD GUYS  
HERE.

I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT  
KIND OF "DEED"  
IS AFTER RITO.

DO  
YOU REALLY  
BELIEVE THAT  
WAS THE RIGHT  
THING TO  
DO?



REINCARNATE  
JOJO'S SOUL WITHIN  
YOUR OWN FLESH  
AND BLOOD, YOUR  
OWN GRAND-  
DAUGHTER?

GRANNY...  
TELL ME IN  
YOUR OWN  
WORDS. DID  
YOU REALLY  
—

THAT'S  
PRECISELY THE  
REASON WHY SHE  
HAS BEEN

YES...  
BECAUSE SHE  
IS MY GRAND-  
DAUGHTER.

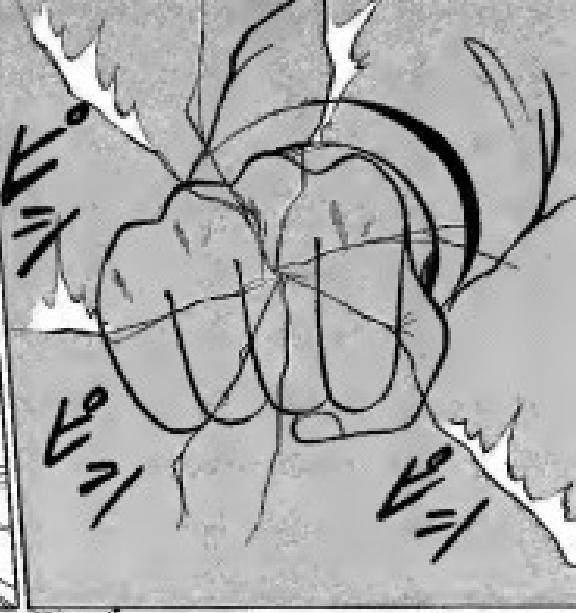
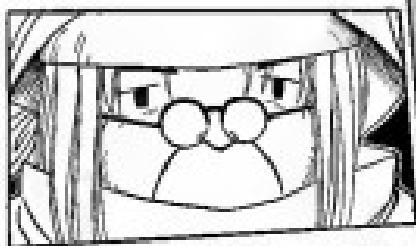
YOU  
CRAZY  
OLD  
HAG!!!







JUST  
WHO DO  
YOU THINK  
YOU  
ARE, YOU  
BITCH?!







SIXTY-EIGHT

ALSO  
THE FIRST GUY  
I'VE EVER BEEN  
WHO DIDN'T  
KEEL OVER  
IMMEDIATELY  
AFTER TAKING  
A HIT FROM  
SHIBARU-  
HAN.

HOOOL...  
HE'S THE FIRST  
MAN TO ACTU-  
ALLY MAKE A  
CRACK IN MY  
BARRIER.





THE  
IS WHERE THE  
TRUE STRUGGLE  
BEGINS...

BUT  
NOW THAT YOU  
KNOW EVERY-  
THING, WHAT  
WILL YOU DO  
NEXT?



YES  
MAYAM.

I  
LEAVE THE REST  
IN YOUR HANDS,  
SHIBA  
-CHAN.





HERE,  
YOU'LL BE VIEWING  
YOUR PAST  
LIFE.

SHIHARU...!

HISOKA RETURNS!





#56

A PAST LIFE, TORN ASUNDER

PROLOGUE  
CHAPTER ONE  
REVIVAL



HERE  
YOU'LL BE  
WEAVING YOUR  
PAST LIFE.

SFX crack



THIS IS THE PAST  
LIFE SHIRAKI  
SHOWED ME...

IN  
THE  
MIDDLE  
OF THE  
18TH  
CENTURY.

FAR  
REMOVED  
FROM THE  
SILK  
ROAD

IN  
A REMOTE  
MOUNTAIN  
REGION IN  
TIBET

I WAS  
A TRAVELING  
MERCHANT FROM  
THE MEDITERRANEAN  
WHO GOT LOST AND  
HURT MY LEG IN THE  
MOUNTAINS.

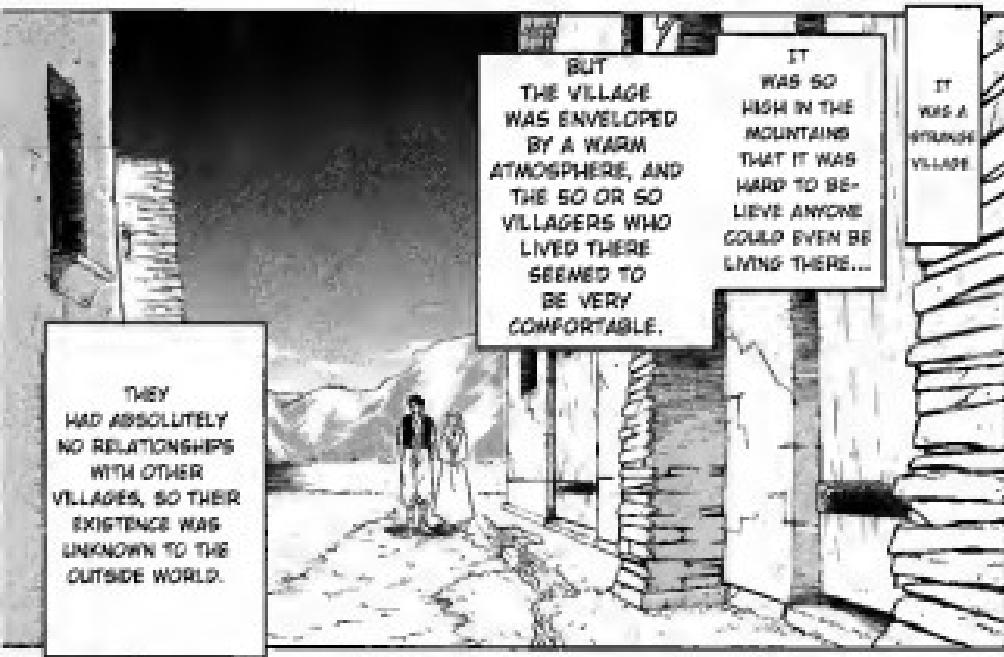
LUCKILY,  
A GIRL CAME  
AND SAVED  
ME.

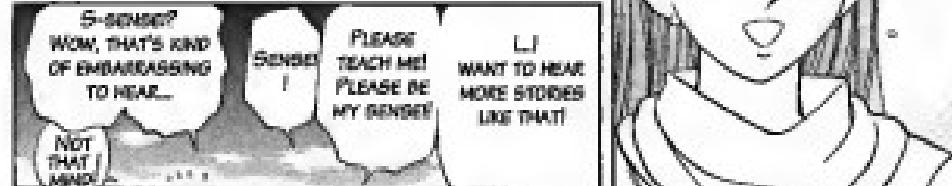
THANK  
YOU SO  
MUCH.  
I  
FEEL LIKE  
I'VE BEEN  
REBORN

I'M  
GLAD

HER  
NAME  
WAS  
ALRAL.







WHILE I WAS  
NOTHING MORE  
THAN AN  
OUTSIDER.

FOR SOME  
REASON, THE  
VILLAGERS  
TREASURED  
ALRAL TO AN  
UNUSUAL  
DEGREE.

IT  
SEEMED LIKE  
THE VILLAGERS  
WEREN'T HAPPY  
ABOUT THAT,  
THOUGH.

BUT  
THE REAL  
DECISION'S  
UP TO YOU

THE  
VILLAGERS  
MAY BE  
AGAINST  
IT.

HOW  
ABOUT  
—  
COMING  
WITH  
ME?

I  
I  
GET BACK  
ON THE  
ROAD SOON  
—  
I  
GUESS...

I WANT TO  
SHOW YOU WHERE  
THAT AMMONITE  
REALLY CAME  
FROM.

WHAT??!

But  
—  
DON'T  
GET SAD,  
NOW...

WHEREVER  
YOU GO...!

I WANT  
TO FOLLOW YOU  
SIRTEL!

WELL?  
WHAT DO  
YOU WANT?

PERFECT  
TIMING.  
YOU'RE  
ALRAE'S CARETAKER,  
AREN'T YOU? I WANT  
TO HAVE A WORD  
WITH YOU.

IN SHORT,  
IT'S A MAGICAL  
CONFIGURATION  
THAT PROTECTS  
OUR VILLAGE.

IT CONTROLS THE  
LUNG OF THE EARTH  
IN ORDER TO STABILIZE  
THE TEMPERATURE  
AND ALLOW PEOPLE TO  
LIVE IN PEACE.

THIS  
TOWN WAS  
CONSTRUCTED  
TO SERVE AS A  
SOLITAIRE  
"UNIT."





FOR THE  
SAKE OF THE  
VILLAGE...

AND  
SO, YOU WERE  
MURDERED.



EVENTUALLY,  
HOWEVER, SHE FOUND  
OUT ABOUT THAT.



AND  
SHE GROW UP  
WITHOUT EVER  
HATING  
ANYONE

THE  
VILLAGERS  
TOOK GOOD  
CARE OF  
HER...

SHE  
WAS  
INNOCENT  
—

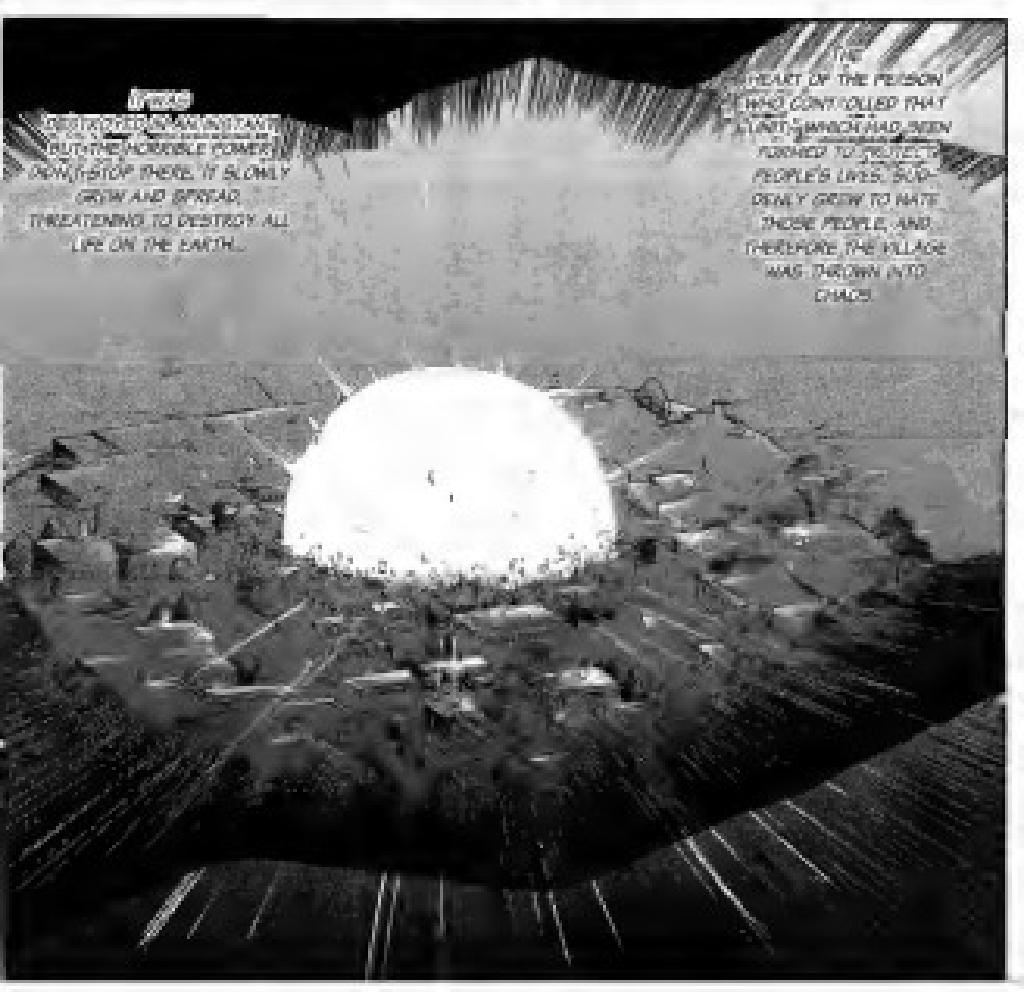


How-  
ever...



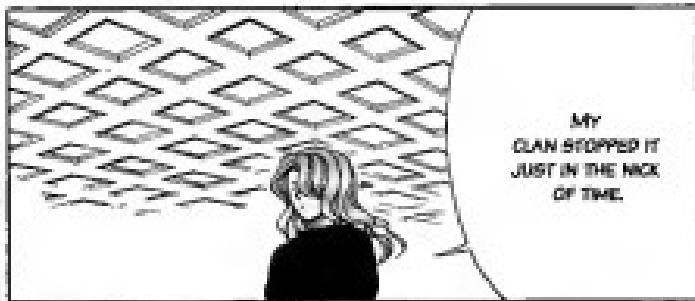
BECAUSE  
YOU CARE FOR YOU WAS  
SO STRONG, YOUR DEATH  
FILLED HER TENDER, AND  
HER HEART BECAME  
CONSUMED BY HATRED  
TOWARD ALL THE PEOPLE  
AROUND HER.

THAT'S  
WHY SHE  
ANOTHER SIDE  
OF LOVE...

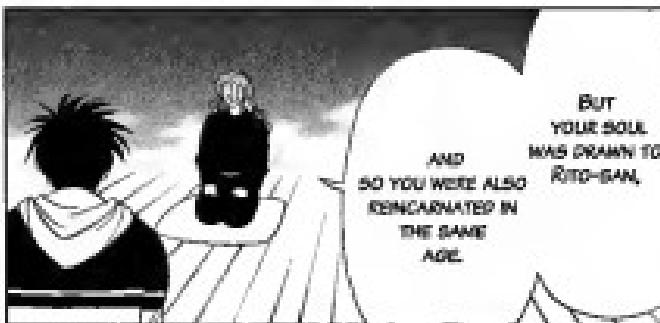


**Impact**  
DESTROYED VILLAGES AND CITIES,  
BUT THE HORRIBLE COMES  
DOWN, DOWN THERE, IT SLOWLY  
GROW AND SPREAD,  
THREATENING TO DESTROY ALL  
LIFE ON THE EARTH...

THE  
HEART OF THE PERSON  
WHO CONTROLLED THAT  
THING, WHICH HAD BEEN  
FORCED TO DESTROY  
PEOPLE'S LIVES, SO  
REALLY GROW TO HATE  
THOSE PEOPLE, AND  
THE THEREFORE THE VILLAGE  
WAS THROWN INTO  
CHAOS.







THE CLOSER RITO-SAN AND ALALI BECOME.

THE STRONGER YOUR BONDS WITH RITO-SAN BECOME.

RITO-SAN RE-UNITED HER BELOVED FRIEND WITH AND WAS DRAWN YOU TO YOU.

WHEN SHE WAS TOGETHER WITH ALALI

YOU AND RITO-SAN ARE DESTINED TO STAY APART.

THE PAST MUST NOT BE REPEATED.

OR...

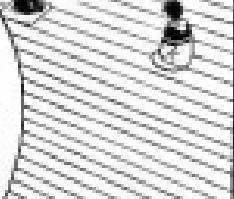
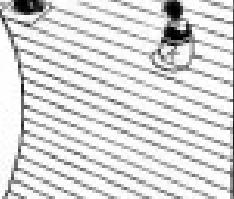
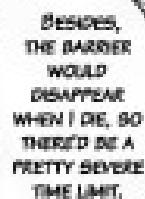


YOU COULD  
ALWAYS JUST LIVE  
TOGETHER WITH  
KYO-SAN WITHIN  
THIS BARBER FOR  
THE REST OF YOUR  
LIVES.



BUT  
YOU'D BE  
LIKE CAGED  
BIRDS...

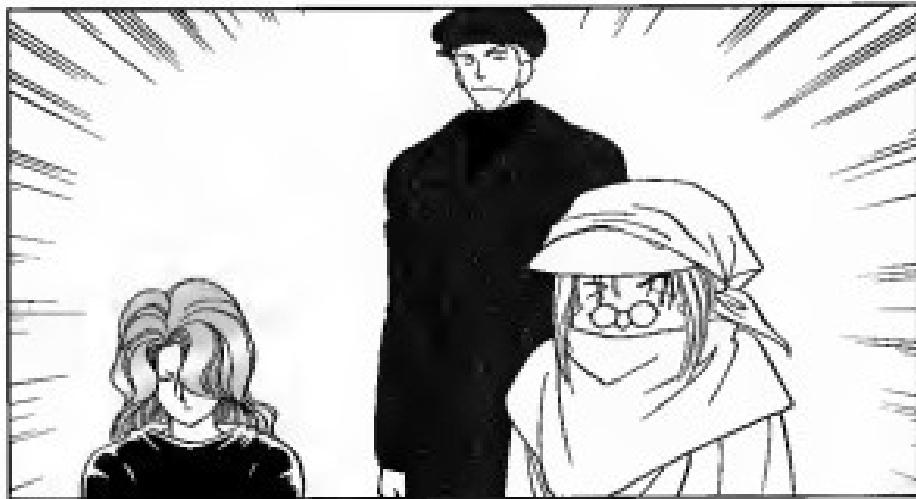
AND  
COULD YOU  
REALLY CALL  
THAT TRUE  
HAPPINESS?



BESIDES,  
THE BARBER  
WOULD  
DISAPPEAR  
WHEN I DIE, SO  
THERE'D BE A  
PRETTY SEVERE  
TIME LIMIT.



YOU  
THINK  
I CARE  
ABOUT MY  
PAST LIFE?



I LOVED  
RITO BECAUSE  
SHE'S RITO

NOT  
BECAUSE I LOVED  
HER IN A PAST  
LIFE!

SO IF  
YOU'RE  
EXPECTING ME TO  
GIVE UP ON HER  
JUST BECAUSE  
OF MY PAST LIFE,  
THEN FORGET IT!



I'M  
GOING TO  
PROTECT RYO  
WITH MY  
OWN  
STRENGTH!

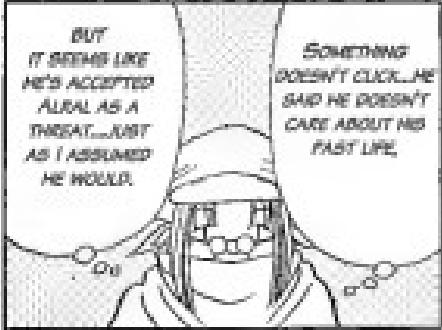


BUT  
IF SOME  
WEIRDOS IS TRYING  
TO CAUSE TROUBLE  
FOR RYO

THEN  
I'LL GO AND DEAL  
WITH THEM  
MYSELF.



I  
DON'T NEED  
YOUR HELP!



BUT  
IT SEEMS LIKE  
HE'S ACCEPTED  
ALRAL AS A  
THREAT...JUST  
AS I ASSUMED  
HE WOULD.

SOMETHING  
DON'T CLICK...HE  
SAID HE DOESN'T  
CARE ABOUT HIS  
FAST LIFE.

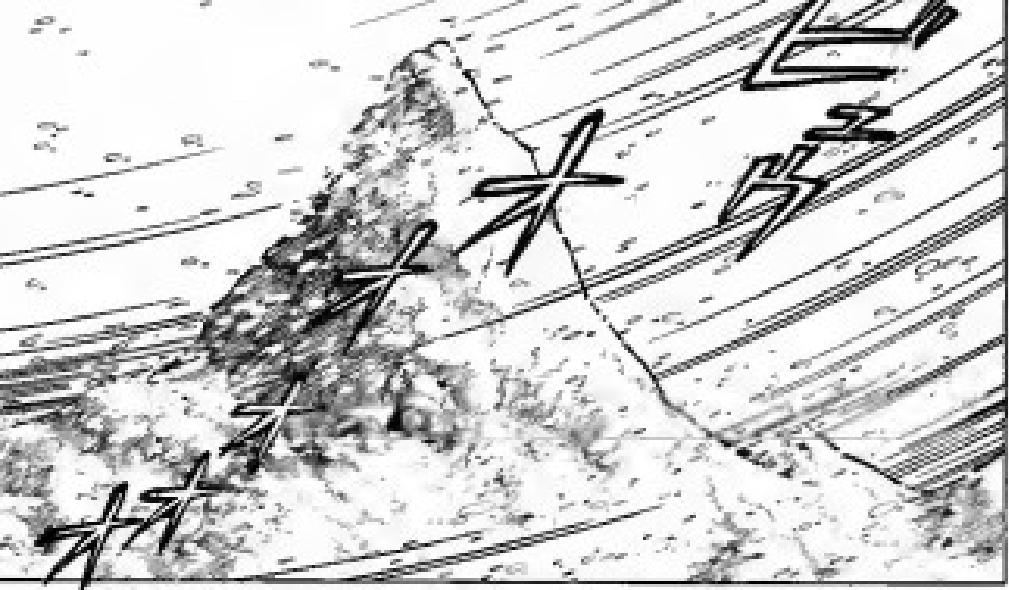


SHUDDER! AND STOP LOOKING INSIDE MY BRAIN!



HISOKA RETURNS!





SENSEI



ARE  
THESE  
FLAMES...HER  
HATRED?



HOW  
MANY  
HUNDREDS OF  
YEARS HAS  
IT BEEN?

YOU WERE  
REINCARNATED IN  
A FAR-OFF LAND,  
I SEE...



GO  
WORLD  
WIDE

GO  
WORLD  
WIDE  
GO  
WORLD  
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GO  
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GO  
WORLD  
WIDE



YOU,  
WHO CHOSE TO  
FALL IN LOVE  
WITH THE SAME  
GIRL AGAIN.

YOU'RE  
THE ONE  
WHO'S TIED  
TO YOUR  
PAST.

I  
FELL IN LOVE  
WITH RITO!

Rito  
Rito

No!

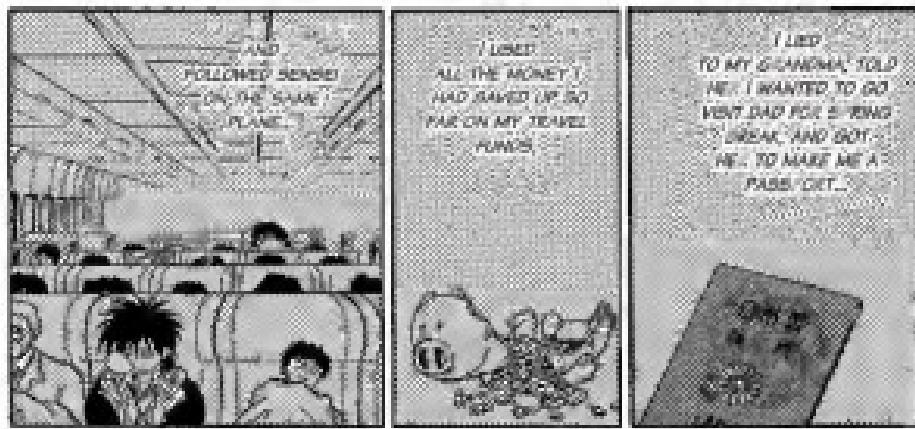
PLEASE

STOP  
TORMENTING  
RITO



STOP  
TRYING TO TIE  
HER TO HER  
PAST!

SHE'S  
ALIVE RIGHT  
NOW.





BUT  
HE WENT THIS  
WAY. I FEEL LIKE  
IF I KEEP GOING  
STRAIGHT, I'LL BE  
SURE TO RUN  
INTO HIM.

I JUST  
CAN'T BELIEVE HE'D  
LEAVE ME, HIS  
ASSISTANT BEHIND,  
WITHOUT EVEN TELLING  
ME ANYTHING! I'M  
GOING TO COMPLAIN TO  
HIM, AND THEN I'LL GET  
HIM TO PAY FOR ALL MY  
TRAVEL EXPENSES.



After  
considering your  
offer of employment  
very carefully, I have  
decided to decline it.  
Thank you.

RYO-  
SAN'S SORRY  
BUT...



EITHER WAY...  
NO SEAL WILL BE OF  
ANY MORE USE AT  
THIS POINT.

THEY  
STOLE MY  
HAPPINESS TO  
PROTECT  
THEIR OWN  
HAPPINESS.

THEY  
USED ME, AN  
INNOCENT GIRL, JUST  
SO THAT THEY COULD  
BECOME HAPPY.

BUT  
IN THE END, I  
FOUND OUT  
EVERYTHING, AND  
WHEN I CAME TO  
HATE THEM, THEY  
CALLED ME EVIL  
AND BEATED  
ME AWAY.

PEOPLE  
ARE UGLY.

THEY  
NEVER TREATED  
ME AS THEIR  
EQUAL.

I WAS  
NEITHER ALLOWED  
TO LOVE OR HATE  
ANYONE.

THAT WAS  
WHEN I REALIZED...THAT  
PEOPLE LIVE BY STEALING  
HAPPINESS FROM  
SOMEONE ELSE.

I'M NO  
LONGER  
"HUMAN"  
MYSELF.  
YOU SEE.

AND I  
CAN'T PERMIT  
THESE SELFISH,  
CRUEL  
"HUMANS" TO  
GO ON DOING  
THAT ANY  
LONGER.

THAT'S  
NOT ALL  
PEOPLE DO.

WITH  
THESE  
FLAMES.

I HATE  
HUMANS.

SO  
I'M GOING TO  
EXTERMINATE  
EVERY LAST  
ONE OF THEM

AND  
LEAVE THIS  
PLACE.

THEN I  
CAN REVERT  
BACK TO  
MY TRUE  
SELF...

I NEED  
MY "OTHER,"  
MY SOUL, AND  
MY BODY.

BUT  
I NEED RITO  
TO DO  
IT...

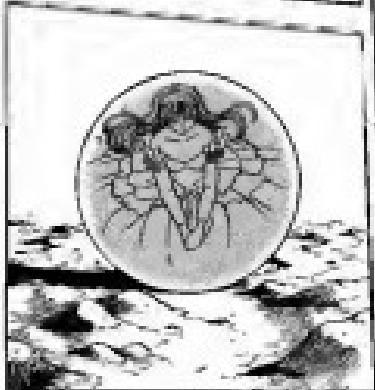
IT WILL  
HAPPEN...RIGHT  
NOW!

THE  
SEAL'S  
BROKEN

SHE'S IN  
SUSPENDED  
ANIMATION

MIRAI-SAN!

HOW  
DID RITO GET  
HERE?!







RITO!



AURAL'S  
MASSIVE LUNG  
DID THAT? SHE  
COMPLETED A  
TRANSFORMATION IN  
A SPLIT SECOND??



THEY'RE  
REUNITING AGAIN IN THEIR  
ORIGINAL FORMS... THIS IS  
WITHOUT A DOUBT THE  
MOMENT THEY'VE BEEN  
WAITING FOR...



BOTH  
OF THEM HAVE  
PHYSICAL BODIES  
NOW...





WELCOME  
KYO...

WELCOME,  
OTHER  
ME...



THE  
OTHER ME  
WHO HAS  
A BEAUTIFUL  
HEART, AND IS  
LOVED BY  
ALL



AND  
TRIED TO SEIZE A  
NEW HAPPINESS.

THE  
OTHER ME WHO  
ABANDONED HER  
HATRED, WAS  
SUCCESSFUL  
IN BEING  
REINCARNATED,



THAT'S  
NOT  
ME.



I HAVE  
AN UGLY  
HEART  
TOO.



AND  
SOMETIMES, I  
EVEN HATE  
PEOPLE TOO.



BECAUSE  
I'M HUMAN.



I ENVY  
PEOPLE AND GET  
JEALOUS...



WHAT  
ARE YOU  
SAYING  
—?



THE  
SAME AS  
YOU.

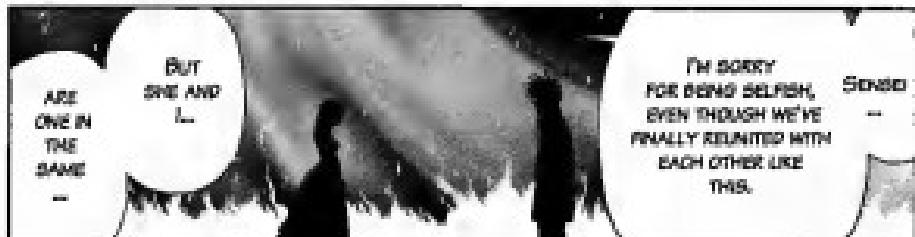


RIGHT NOW...  
RITO-SAN IS RACING  
ALUA AND  
SYMPATHIZING WITH  
HER. SHE'S  
REGAINING HER PAST  
MEMORIES...



LET'S  
GO ON LIVING  
TOGETHER.

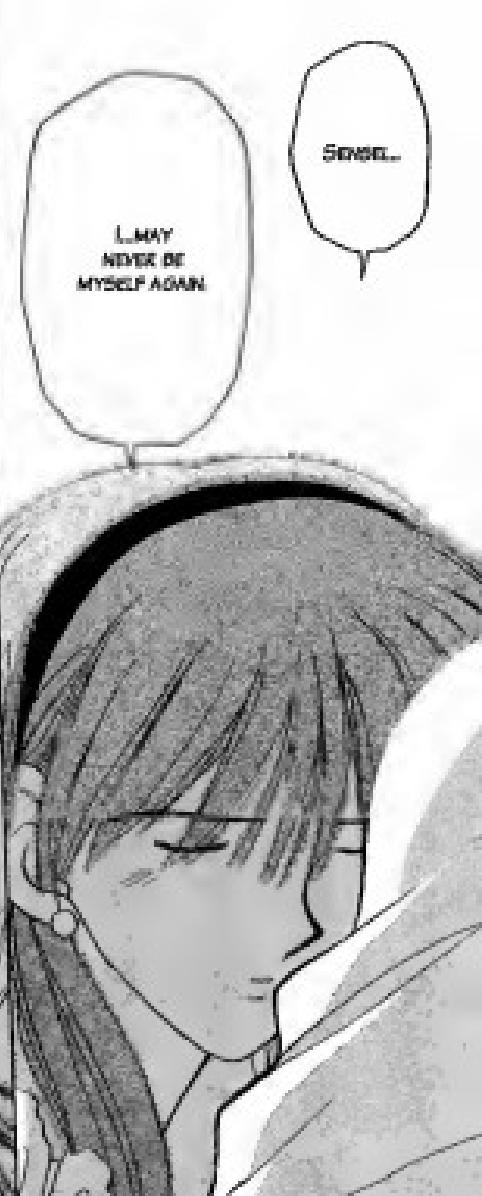






IF THAT  
HAPPENS, FEEL  
FREE TO KILL ME.

YEAH.



I MAY  
NEVER BE  
MYSELF AGAIN.

SOMEBE...





BUT I  
WON'T LET GO  
OF YOU...

MISOKA RETURNS!



#58 TOGETHER...

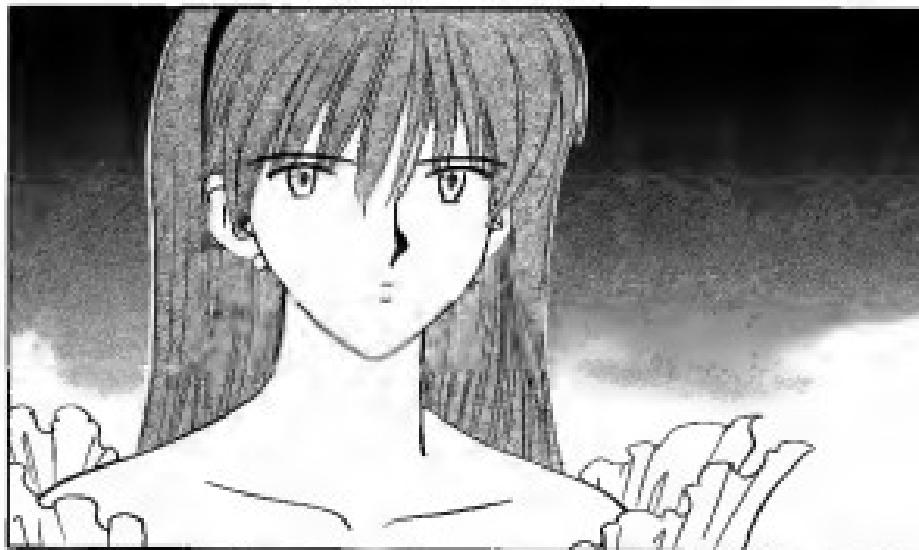


TO FIND  
A PLACE WITHIN  
ME AND GET BACK MY  
TRUE BODY AND ALL OF  
MY OWN



CPXcrash





WHAT'S  
THIS FEELING...? IS THIS  
YOUR POWER? RIO...ARE  
YOU TRYING TO RESIST  
ME?





THIS  
IS THE HAUGHTH  
HASHIMURA-SENSEI  
GAVE ME.



THE  
HEART I RECEIVED  
FROM MY  
STUDENTS,  
FRIENDS, AND  
FAMILY!



ACCEPT IT,  
AURAL...THIS IS  
YOURS TOO.



...  
...  
...  
...  
...





AURAL

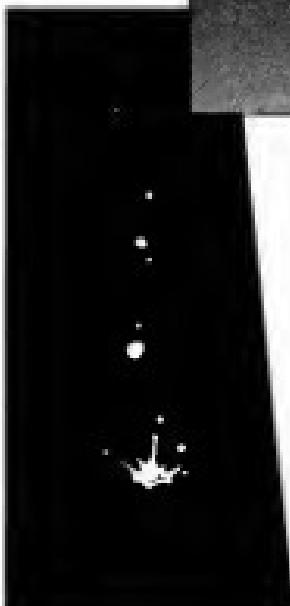


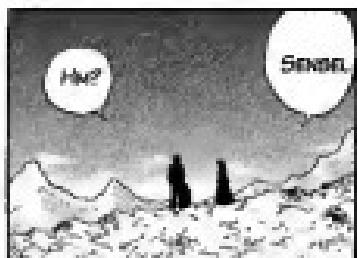






densei..!









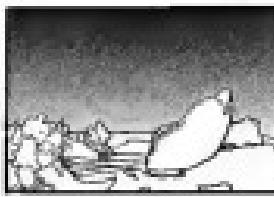
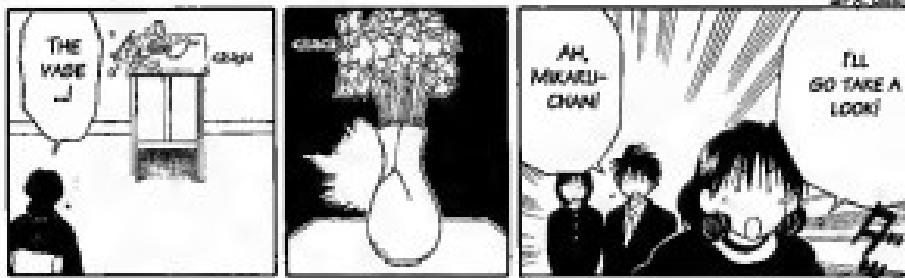


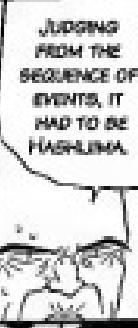




I'M SO  
HAPPY, IT'S ALMOST  
SCARY...

I'M HAPPY...

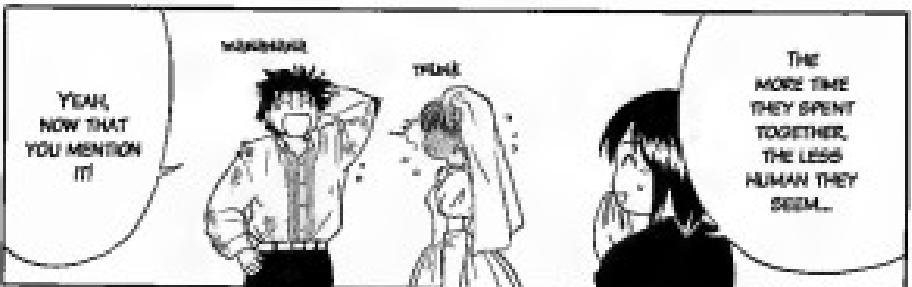


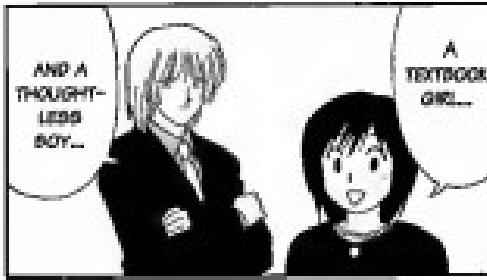


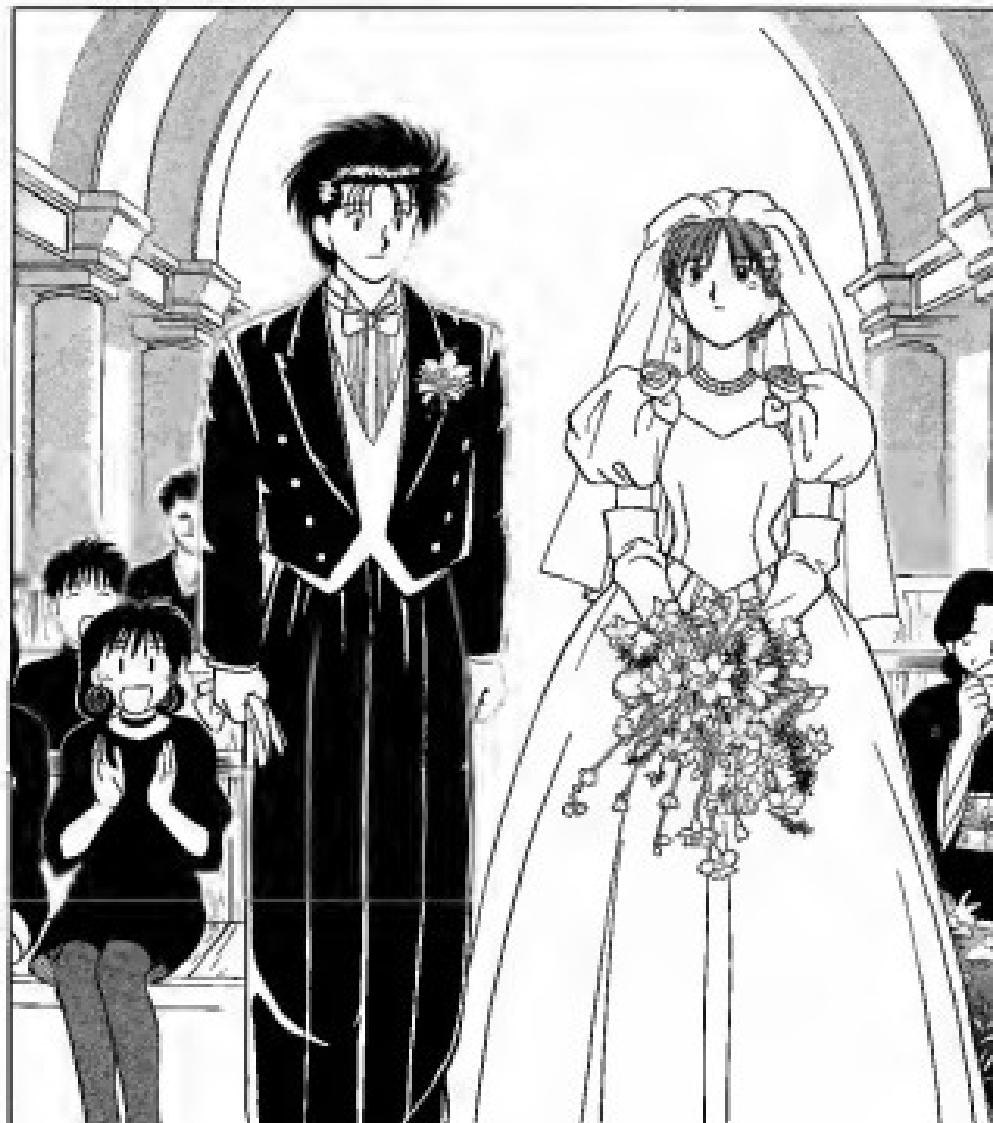
WAAAAAAH,  
SORRY I'M  
LATE!











HARUKAMI GENGOROU

CONTINUED  
ON TO UNIVERSITY, MAJORED  
IN PSYCHOLOGY, AND  
BECAME A COUNSELOR TO  
HELP BOYS WITH THEIR MANY  
PROBLEMS.



TSUGUMINARA CHINAMI

CONTINUED  
HER STUDIES IN ORDER TO  
BECOME A TEACHER,  
THEN LATER MARRIED  
GENGOROU AND GAVE  
BIRTH TO TWINS.



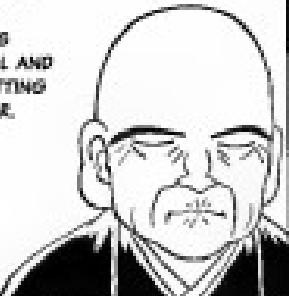
KAMOGAWA MIKARU

CONTINUED  
WORKING AS HASHIMURA'S  
ASSISTANT WHILE TAKING  
NOTES SO THAT SHE CAN  
SOMEDAY OPEN HER OWN  
DETECTIVE OFFICE. CURRENT  
SAVINGS - 2,16,522 YEN



TORAUMA

KEEPS  
FALLING ILL AND  
THEN GETTING  
BETTER.



KARASUMA YUJI

STEPPED  
DOWN FROM FOUR  
FORMAL MARRIAGE  
INTERVIEWS. HE'S  
STILL SINGLE.



HAYASE TARAKO  
HER  
PERSONAL LIFE IS  
STILL A MYSTERY  
TO EVERYONE.



UROU  
STILL  
HAS A CRUSH  
ON TARAKO.



KABU  
STARTED  
WORKING AT  
HASHIJIMA'S  
DETECTIVE OFFICE,  
AS MIKARU'S  
ASSISTANT.



SHIMARU  
HAS BEEN  
OUT OF WHACK EVER  
SINCE HE EXPLODED A  
TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF  
LUNG TO SAVE MIKARU.  
CURRENTLY, HE CAN NO  
LONGER USE MOST OF HIS  
ABILITIES.



KAMOGAWA KAHORU  
STILL BRINGS  
IN A LOT OF WORK FOR  
HASHIJIMA.



AND...

RUBIKU  
GOT A GIRLFRIEND.





HASHIJIMA HISOKA & RITO

CREATED THEIR  
NEW HOME ON THE 3RD FLOOR OF  
THE DETECTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, AND ARE  
CURRENTLY MAKING UP FOR ALL  
THEIR HARDSHIPS WITH THEIR NEW  
EVERLASTING HAPPINESS.

HISOKA RETURNS! VOL. 3 / END

# CHARACTER ENCYCLOPEDIA (2)



Yuko Chitanda

Ikibayashi Yuko

Birthday: Sept. 17

Virgo / Blood Type A

Height: 5'6"

Favorite Color: White

In this "Fossil Lovers," "Flower Lovers," and "Money Lovers" are all great. I don't have a particular hobby, so I feel a bit envious of people who can really lose themselves in one thing. So I like drawing people like that.

Birthday Flower Trivia!  
(Taken from a Japanese book about Birthday Flowers)

April 10 - Big-leaf Perennials



March 25 - Climbing Plant



January 6 - Thyme



Kamogawa Mikuru

Birthday: March 25

Aries / Blood Type AB

Height: 4'6"

Respects: Togohara

Hidetoshi

Dear letter from a reader  
who said "My name's Mikuru too. I was named after the anchorman Michael. I've met 2-3 people named Mikuru, and they all said they were named after him too." That doesn't surprise me. I think about 1/4 of my readers are that too. The rest of it, though, was just because I liked the sound of it. And I thought that a name ending in 'ru' fit her. It also helps that I love the sound 'ru'. For example, 'skarlet'! (Japanese for 'occult')"



Shiharu

Birthday: September 9

Virgo / Blood Type A

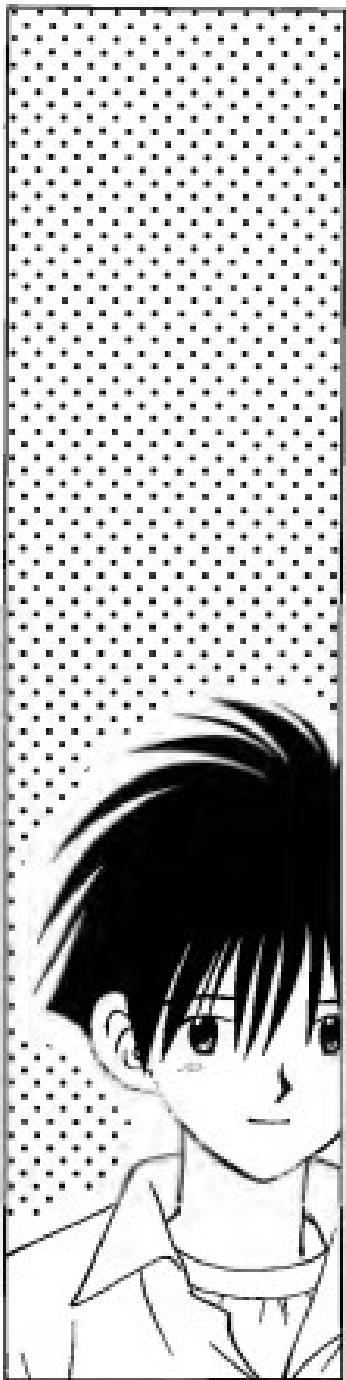
Height: 5'9"

He's always with Raphael, his cat!

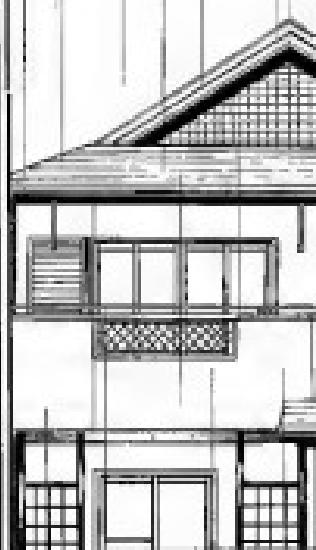


Raphael

The manga ended with a lot of questions about Shiharu unanswered. But if I'd be weird to try and answer them all here, so I won't. Please also don't worry about the fact that he may or may not be Ueda's older brother.



The chapter that starts from the next page is one that I never got the chance to feature during the serialization. It takes place a few days after the transmigration. Rumor has spread about Eiko's disappearance, and Hashimaru's also left town...

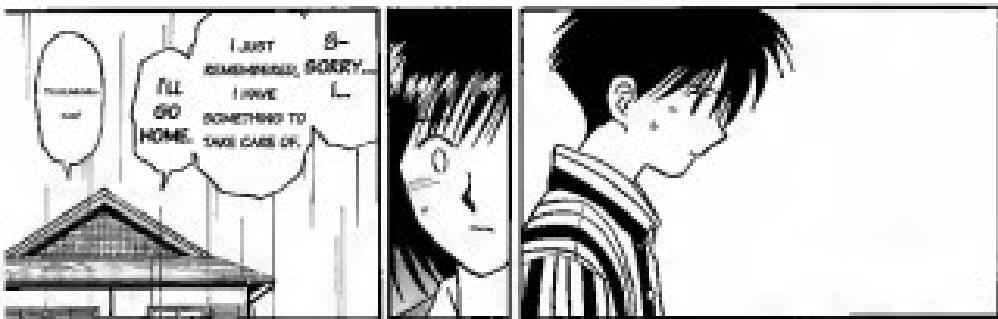


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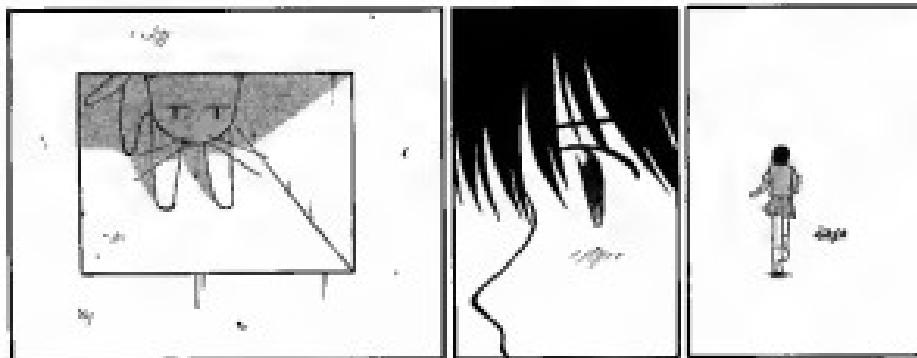
THE REAL GENGOROU



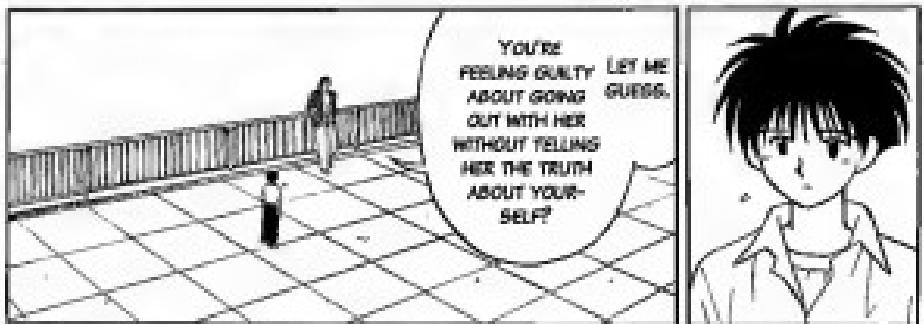


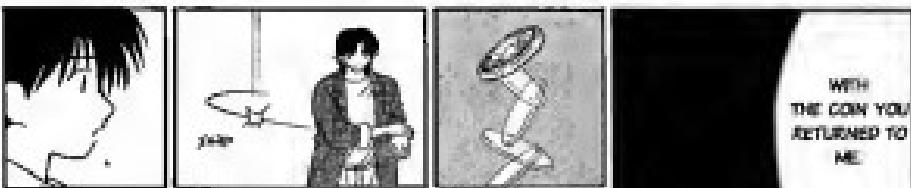
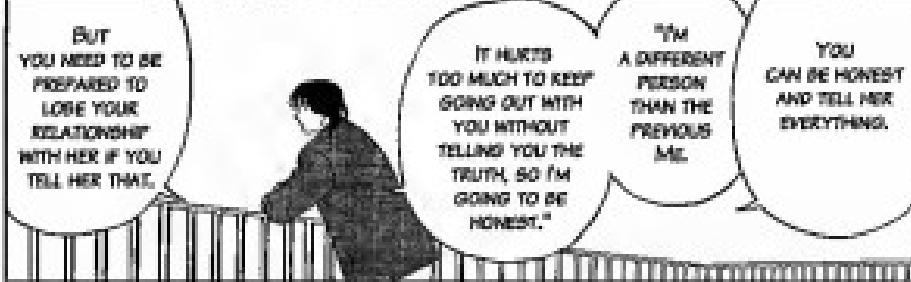






RURURU KNOWS I'M NOT HASHIMURA-SOSKE...





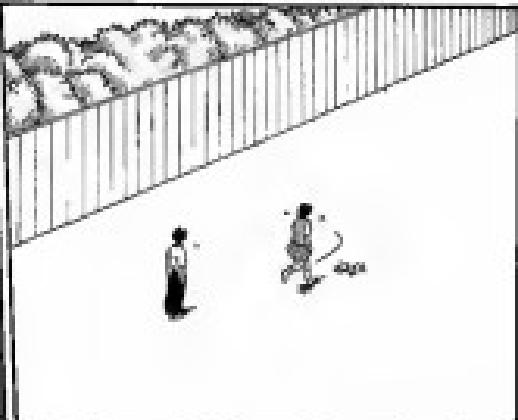
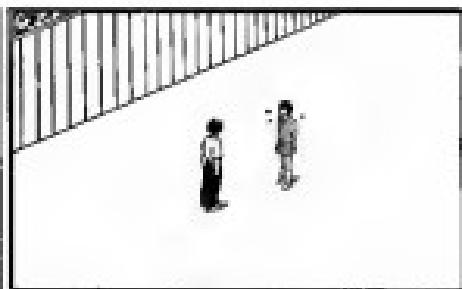
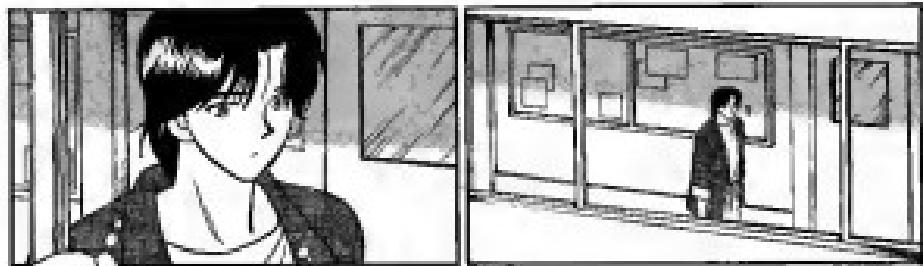


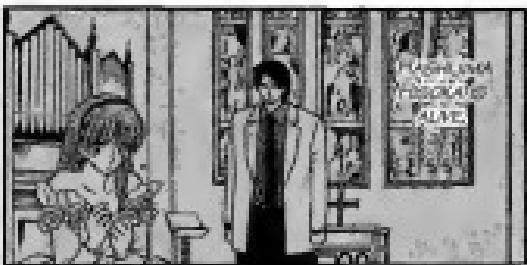


YOU  
SHOULD  
DECIDE  
IT BY  
YOURSELF.

WHAT,  
NARUKAMI-  
KUN?

HMP?





I  
JUST HAD  
TO TELL  
HER.

IT  
WAS THE  
SAME FOR  
ME BACK  
THEN.

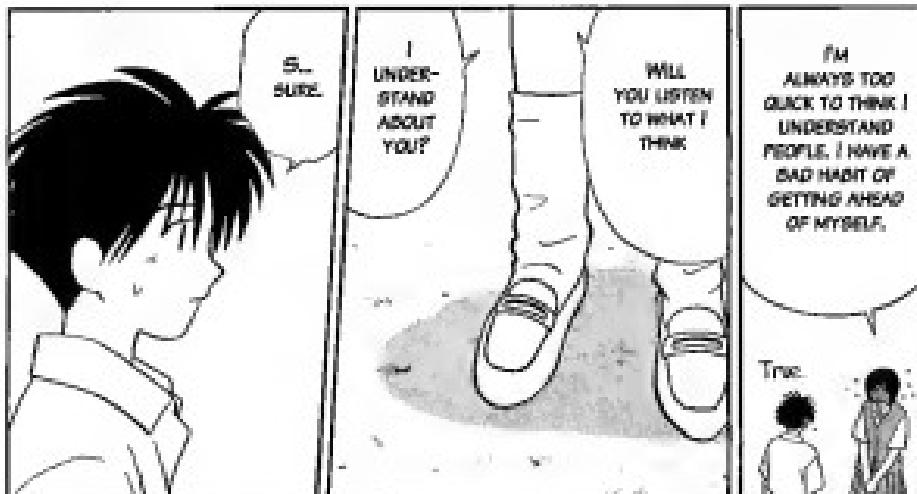
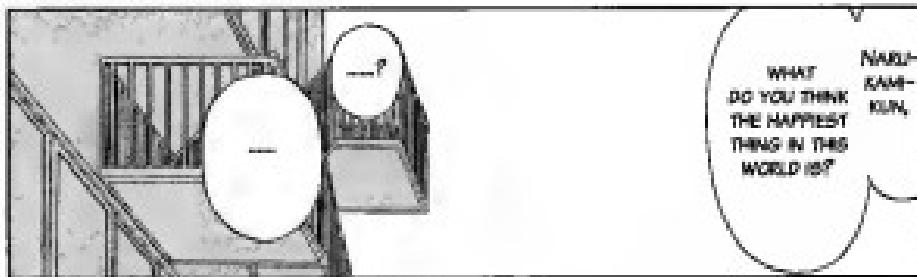




NARUKAMI-  
KUN.



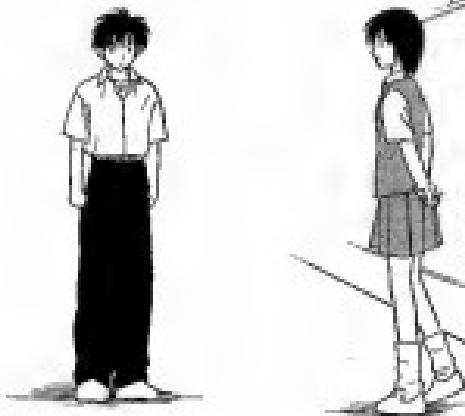






ABOUT  
THE REAL  
NAKAMURA-  
RUN.

WANT  
TO  
KNOW  
EVEN  
MORE







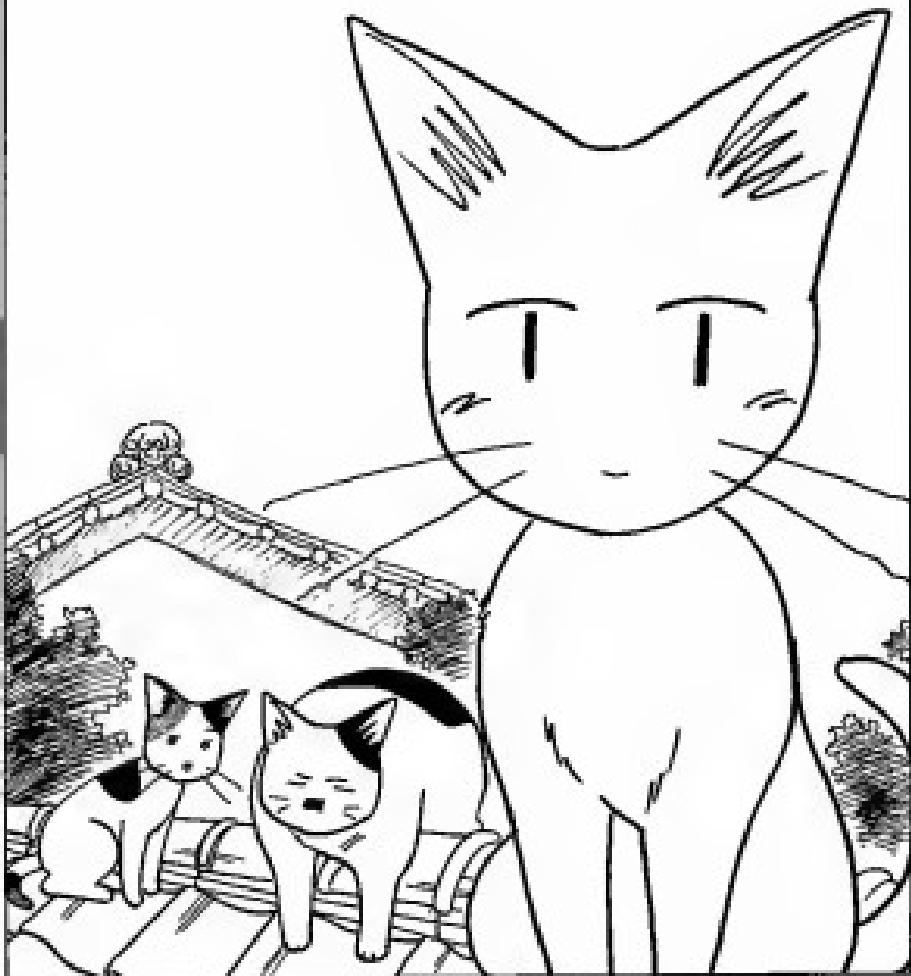
End of the Burakuji Gengoro Art.

Several years later,  
Gengoro and Togeyuharu got married and had two  
children, a boy and a girl. Their girl inherited her  
mother's age-spots to get ahead of herself, and became  
quite the troublemaker. Her name was Kiko. She made  
some good childhood friends when she was a baby. Oh,  
sorry, this has absolutely nothing to do with the story.

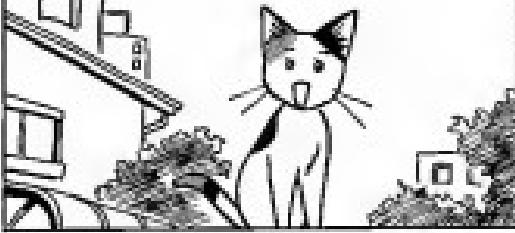
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# You can do it, Ruriruri!

-Complete-



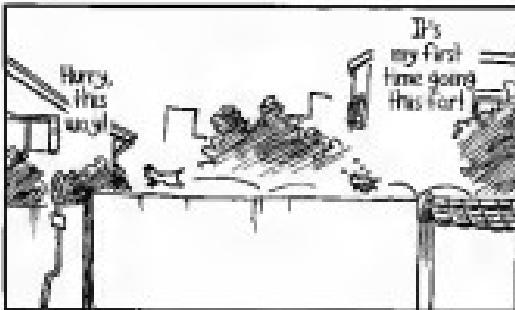
Tsunamikan, the  
way!

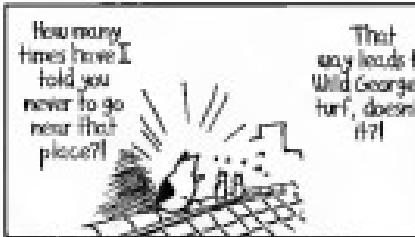
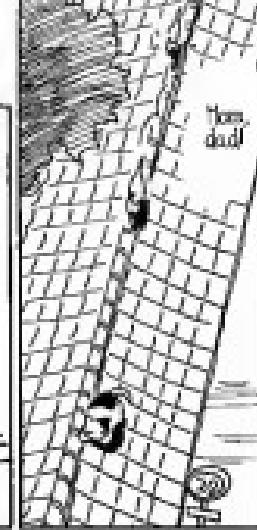


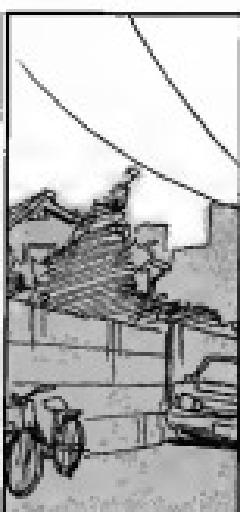
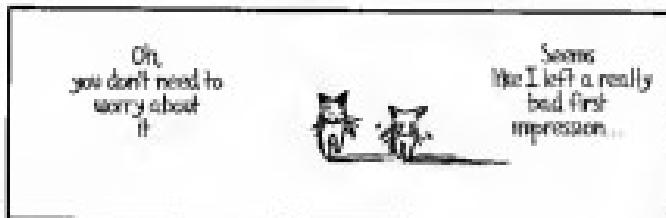
"  
walk up.  
Tsunamikan!

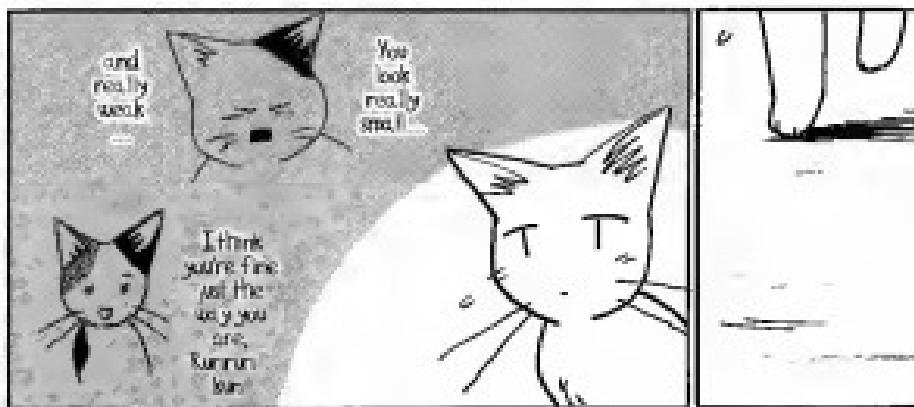
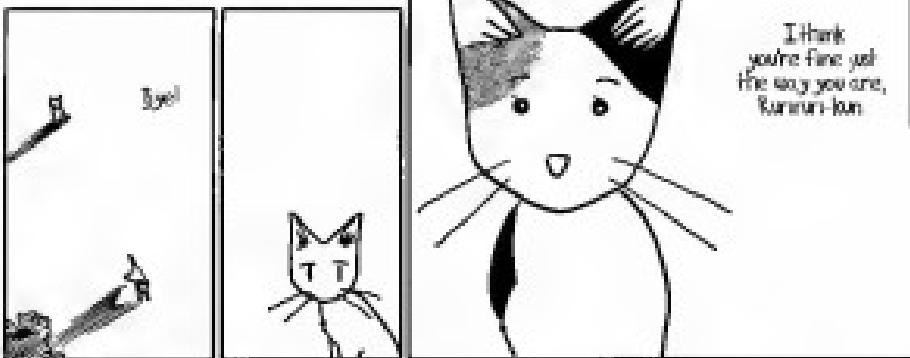


It's  
my first  
time going  
this far!

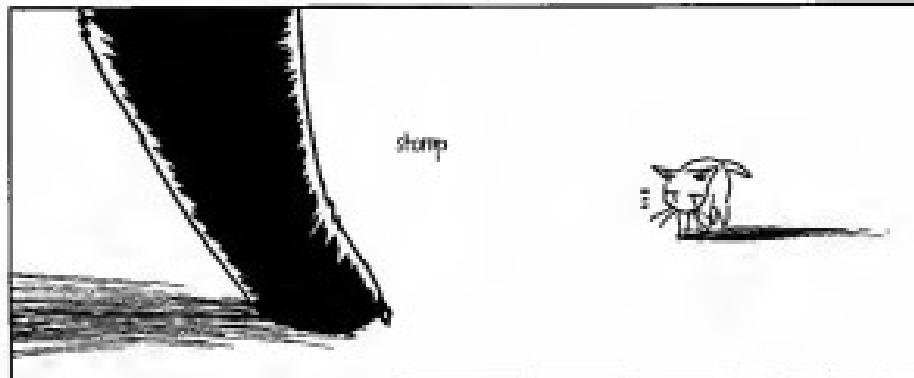




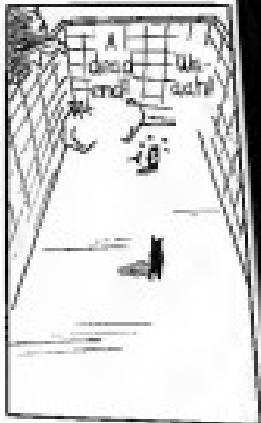


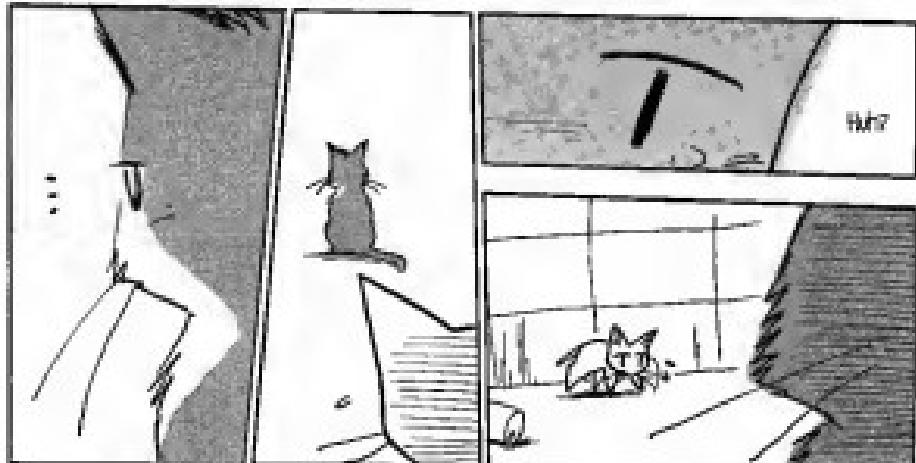
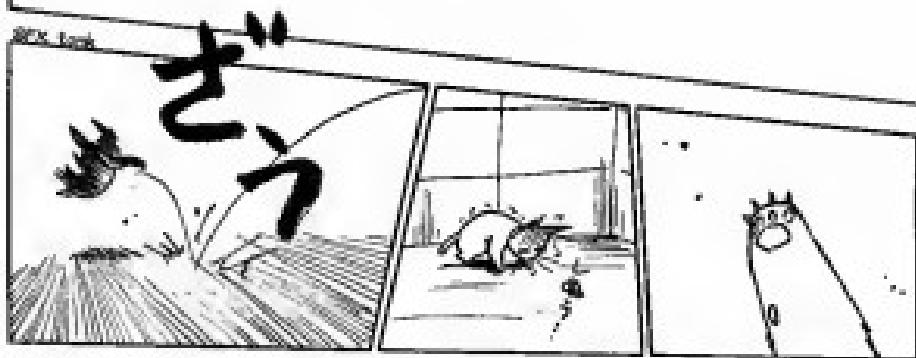


I  
wish I was  
strong...











Th-  
Thanks! You  
saved my  
life!

I  
don't have a  
name...

If you don't  
mind, could you  
tell me your  
name?

Um...  
my name's  
Kyunrun

Ah,  
it was  
nothing

I don't  
know how to  
refer to you  
now...

But  
isn't it in-  
convenient  
not having a  
name?



The  
person who  
named me  
hates me  
so much, so I  
don't want  
their name  
anymore

Huh? Me?

Why don't  
you give me a  
new name,  
then?

Oh...  
I've never  
thought  
about that  
before.



I really  
like it! Kyondkyon! The  
names humans think up  
are always so  
stupid...

OK,  
let's go with  
Kyondkyon!

Sorry.  
I can't think  
of anything  
good.



Really?



Uhh  
Kyo Kyondkyon

Kyondkyon!

Yeah,  
I wanna get  
stronger.



You... you're  
planning to be a  
warrior?

About  
how I  
think

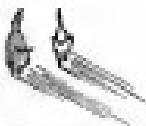


How  
old are  
you?



You're really  
cool... even though it  
seems like you aren't  
much older than  
me.

About how?  
When's your  
birthday?



Humans  
are always so  
selfish... they  
only get new  
pets when it's  
convenient for  
them, and  
then they  
throw them  
away.



I  
think I was  
thrown away  
too...

Thrown  
away?



I don't  
remember  
anything  
about my  
childhood

I don't  
know



I'll  
give you my  
birthday

Burnin'-  
land!

Ahh,  
uhh, you don't  
need to get so  
angry!



It's my way of  
thank you for  
giving me such a good  
name. Also...



B-but...  
I...

It's  
fine

It's coming  
up next month. Why  
don't you just make  
it your third  
birthday?



I  
feel like...  
you and I  
are going to  
become good  
friends.

It'll  
be a  
symbol  
of our  
friend-  
ship.



Ranran-  
chan.

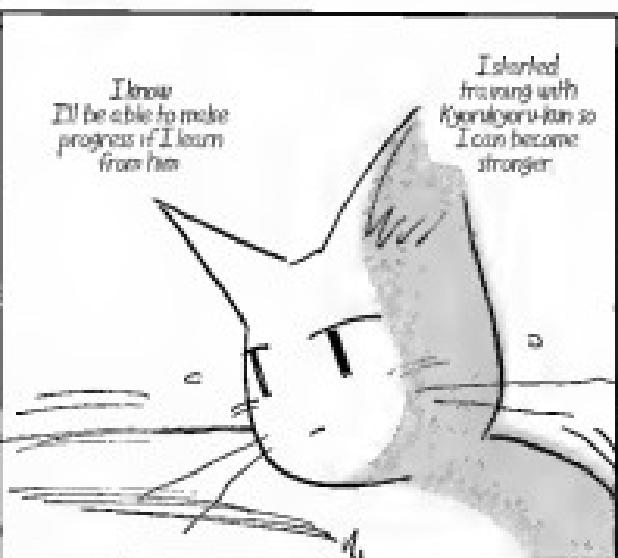
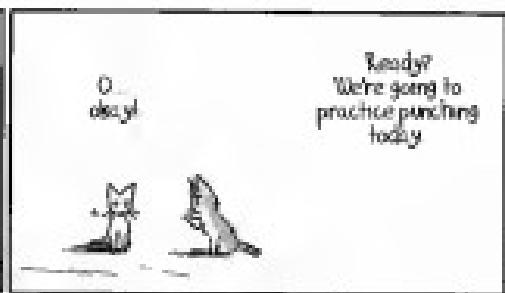
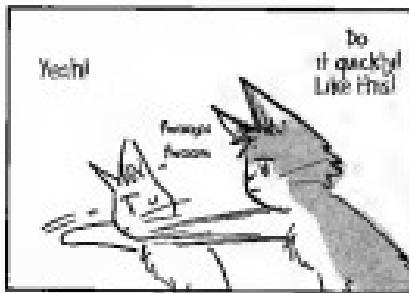
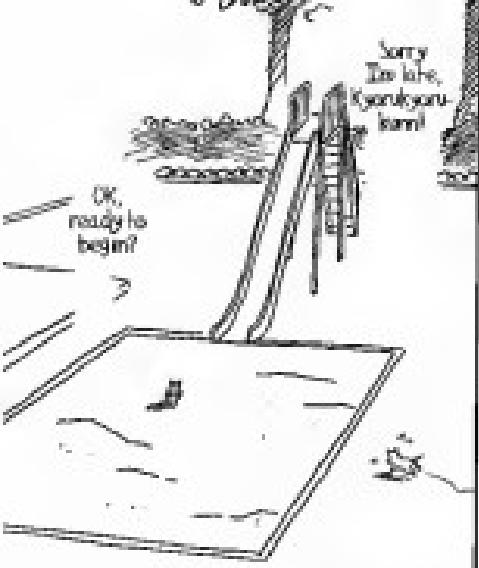
Friends  
...

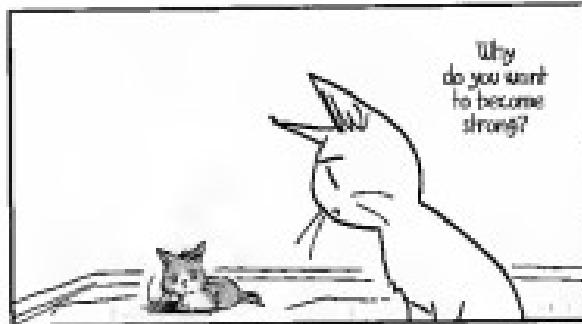
Neh,  
friends

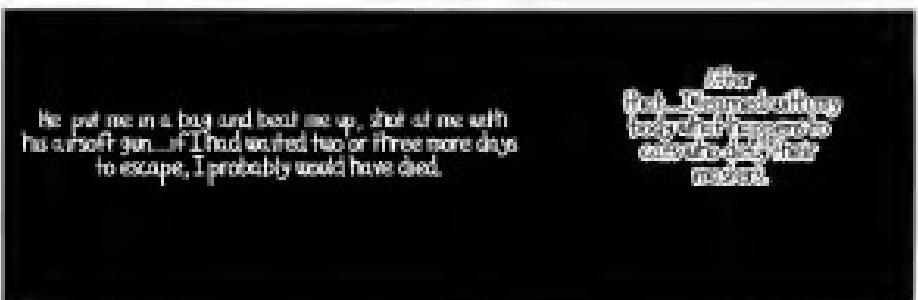
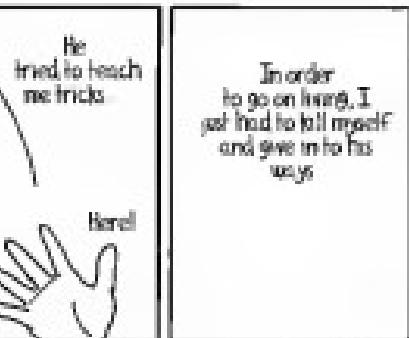


Ah,  
Ran-  
chan!









But he  
isn't an unusual case.  
All humans are more or  
less like he was.

That's  
where this  
scar came  
from.

No!  
You can't  
do that!

I want  
to make them all  
fear us cats! And  
to start, I'm gonna  
kill my old  
master!

They  
aren't THAT  
strong.

It's just  
that, humans are way  
stronger than cats!  
Like, over a hundred  
times stronger...

You were  
human once too,  
weren't you? Why  
would you want  
to defend the  
humans??!

Well,  
I'm not exactly  
trying to defend  
them...

But they  
are tough... it may be  
too tall an order for  
me to complete  
alone.





Kyondokoro  
Inn... not all humans are  
evil! There are some  
good ones, too!

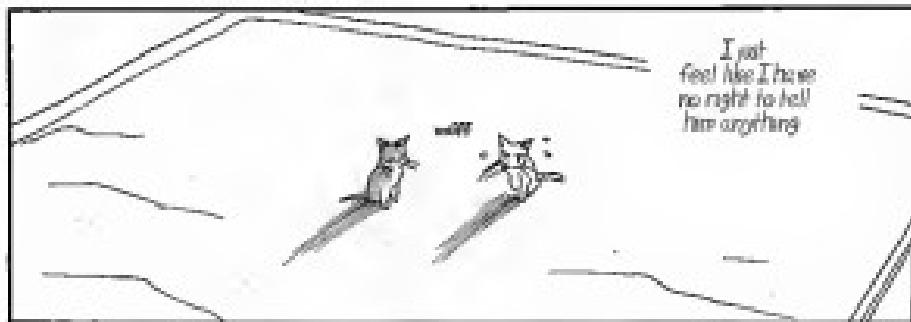


but every  
time I look at his face, I  
become unable to  
say it.

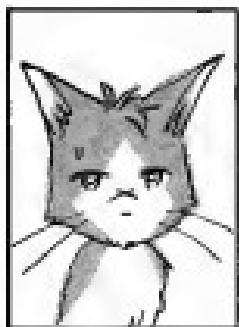
is what  
I keep trying to  
tell him



I just  
feel like I have  
no right to tell  
him anything



I've never suffered as much as Kyoroku-kun has. I guess I was just lucky enough to never run into someone that bad... maybe it's because I've just always run from scary and painful things.



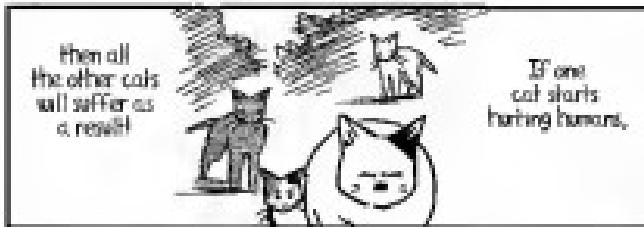


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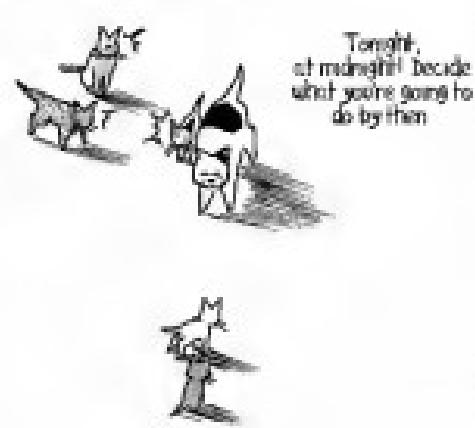




Well forget  
it! Once a cat starts  
thinking that way, he  
loses all hope of ever  
living a happy  
life!







So now  
even you're trying  
to stop me,  
huh?



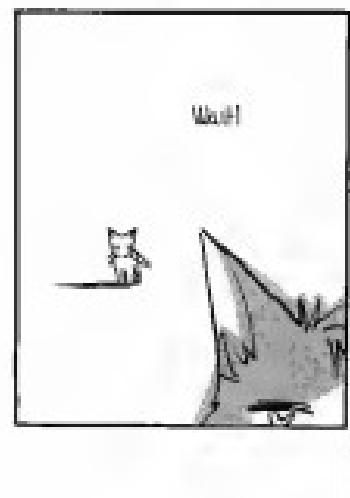
But not  
even you can stop  
me now.



You have  
a good heart, so I  
figured you'd say  
something like  
that sooner or  
later



Wauh!



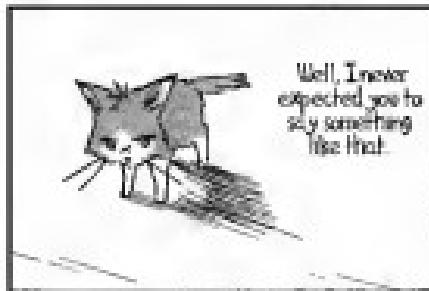
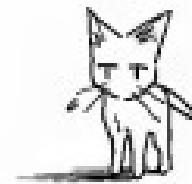
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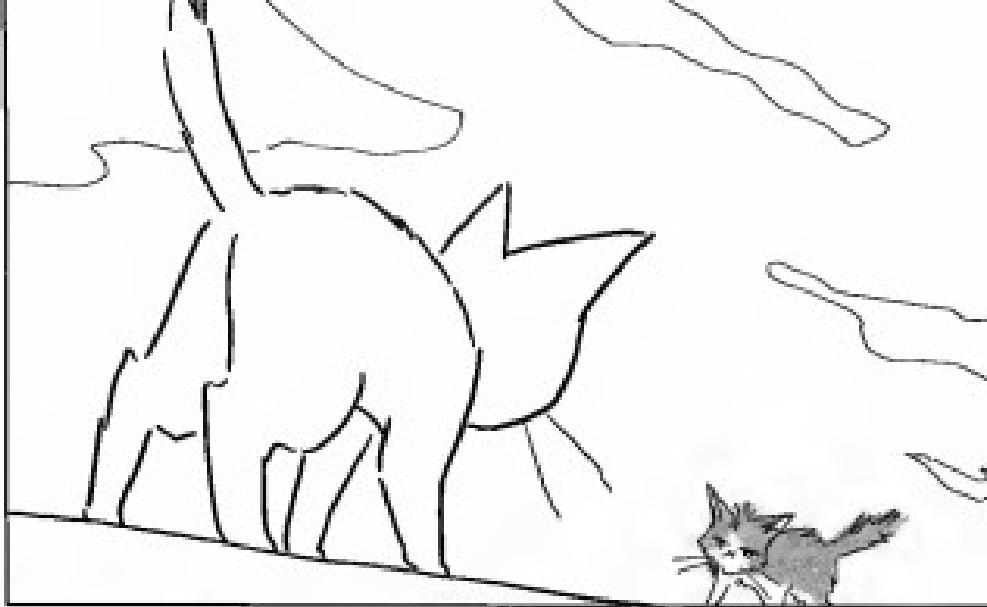


I'll  
do it, even if  
I have to do  
it all by  
myself.



Hi  
fight you and beat  
you... will you listen  
to me?

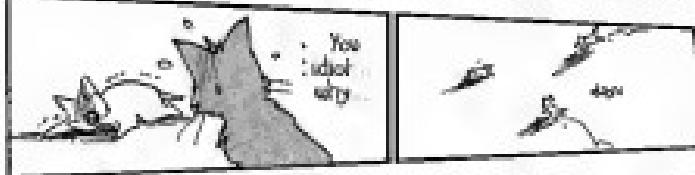




goku hep

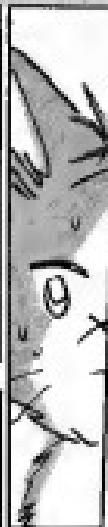








Kyo  
Kyonkyon-  
ken



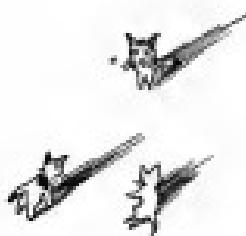
the  
revenge  
...!!

Then...

I lose...

You broke  
the invisible chains  
of "revenge" that  
bound me.

Now,  
I've really become  
free! Thank you,  
Kumon-kun





I gave up my revenge plan, but it's still going to take me some time to get used to hunting again! Sorry, but that's that!



What? Why not?!

You can do it, Kyoukyou-kun!

Uuu...ow... That really hurts... I think I might die...

You'll be fine! I'll lick your wounds for you!



HISOKA RETURNS!

I'M  
HASHIMOTO  
HISOKA!

THE  
TRUTH  
IS...

HISOKA RETURNS!  
Another Story





DIED  
BECAUSE  
OF YOU!!

Hoshimiya

**HISOKA RETURNS!**  
**Another Story**





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px: nattie



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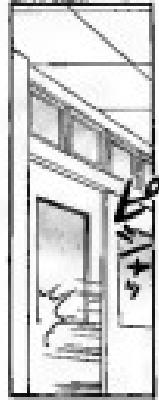


THANKS TO THEM, I NEVER FAILED A TEST WHEN I WAS A STUDENT.



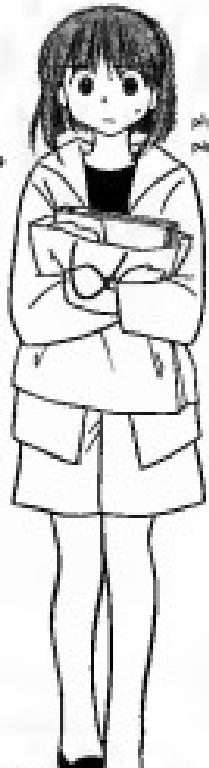
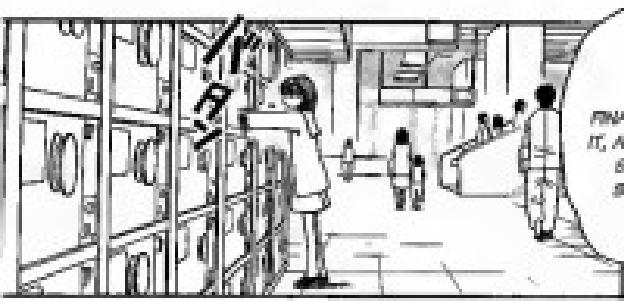
I DON'T BELIEVE IN UNSCIENTIFIC THINGS LIKE THAT.





IT WAS  
SEVEN YEARS  
AGO...FOR  
ONLY TWO  
WEEKS, I WAS  
HIS STUDENT.





I'LL GET  
IN SO MUCH TROUBLE  
IF ANYONE FINDS OUT.  
I MIGHT EVEN MAKE MY  
MOM CRY. "MY  
DAUGHTER TURNED  
INTO A JUVENILE  
DELINQUENT!"





HMM?

LET'S  
GO TO THAT  
FOSSIL  
EXHIBIT!

GO ON!  
SHUT!

IF  
THERE'S SOMETHING  
YOU FEEL THAT  
PASSIONATE ABOUT,  
THEN YOU CAN'T JUST  
GIVE UP ON IT!

IT  
PROBABLY TOOK  
A DEATH-DEFYING  
AMOUNT OF  
COURAGE FOR A  
SERIOUS GIRL LIKE  
YOU TO SKIP  
SCHOOL.

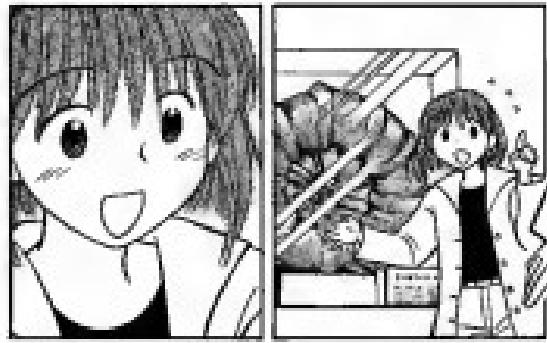
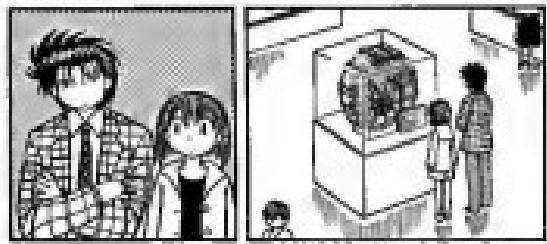
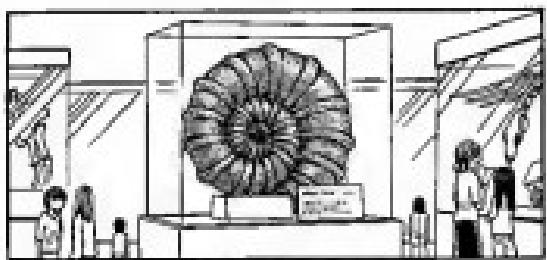
IF A  
TEACHER'S  
WITH YOU,  
THEN THERE'S  
NO WAY YOU  
CAN GET IN  
TROUBLE!

I WAS  
GOING TO  
BE LATE  
TODAY  
ANYWAY!

B-  
BUT

OH!  
I PERMIT  
YOU TO!

FOSSIL  
EXHIBIT





I KNOW.  
I'LL GIVE YOU  
THIS FOSSIL  
KEYCHAIN I  
BOUGHT AT  
THE EXHIBIT.

THEN  
THAT MAKES  
ME YOUR  
FIRST  
STUDENT.

I WELL  
BECOME A  
TEACHER!

I WELL



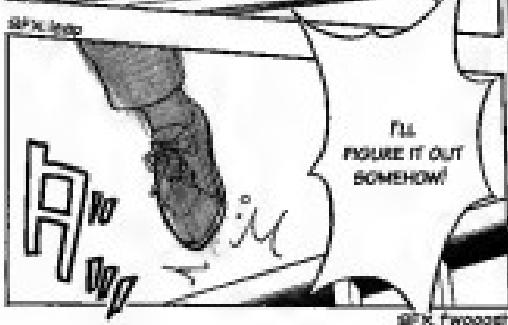
He  
TOLD ME  
TO BECOME A  
TEACHER, BUT HE  
NEVER STOPS  
TREATING ME LIKE  
A STUDENT.

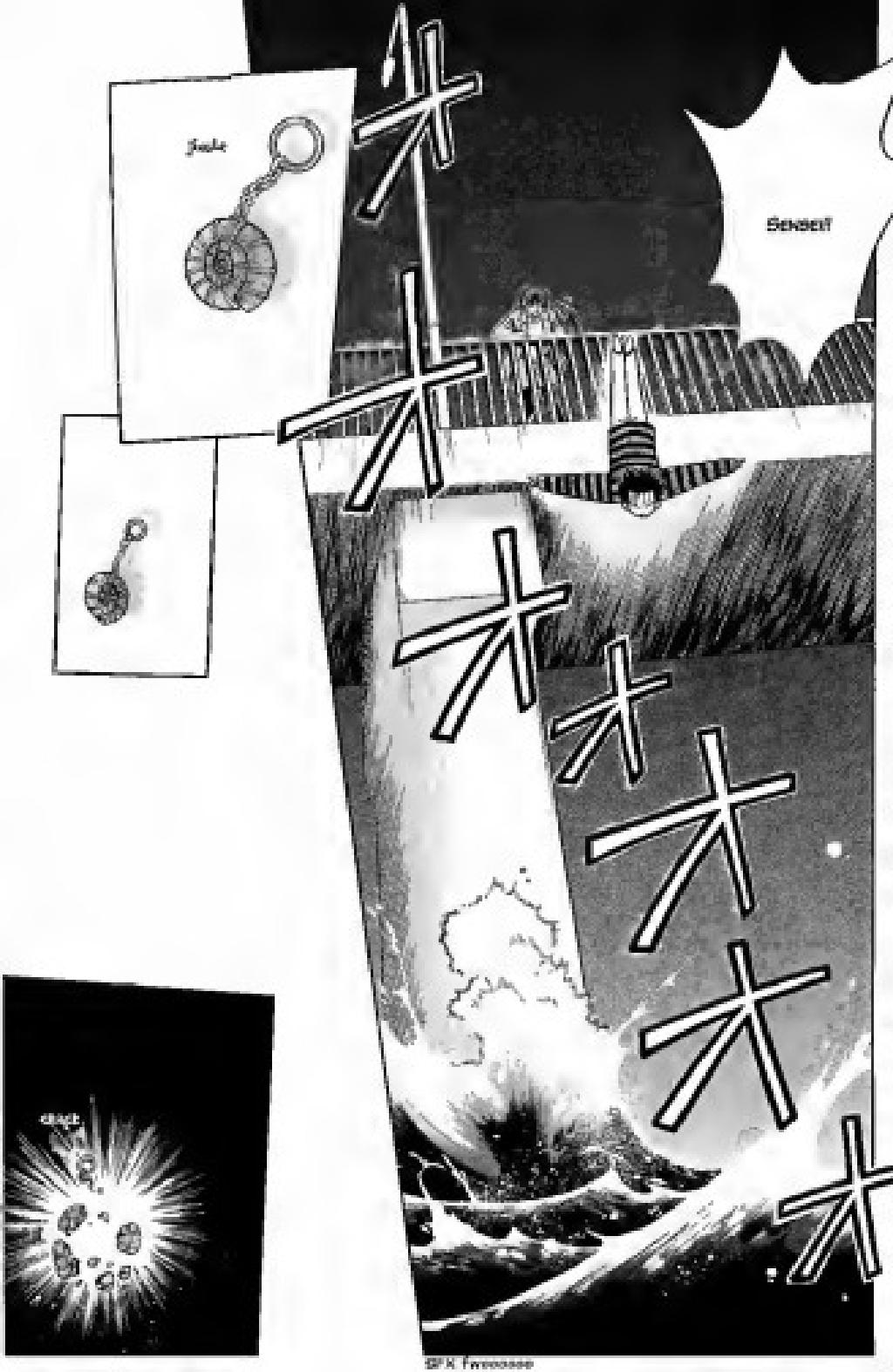
IT'S  
NOT  
FAIR.

THAT'S ALL  
IT TOOK TO MAKE ME  
WANT TO BECOME A  
TEACHER.  
I'M SO SIMPLE-MINDED.









AND  
IT LOOKS LIKE  
HE'S DEAD  
ALREADY...

DON'T  
WANT TO  
die yet,  
BUT...



WAAA,  
OH NO!

TOUCHED



HOW  
DO YOU  
FEEL?



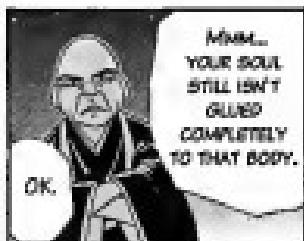


I WAS  
THE ONE  
WHO GOT  
SAVED?

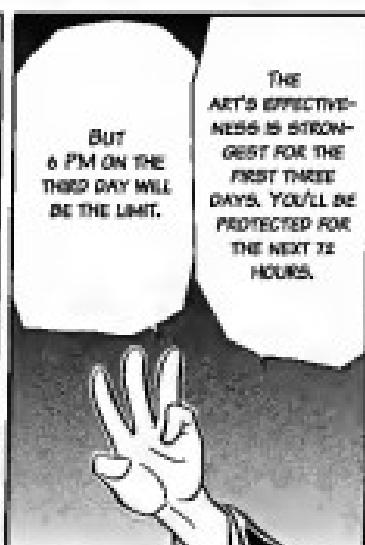
HMM?











THREE DAYS  
SHOULD BE MORE  
THAN ENOUGH.

THERE'S  
ONLY ONE PERSON  
I WANT TO TELL.



YEAH!

FAREWELL!

I'M SURE  
MOST OF YOU HAVE  
ALREADY FOUND  
OUT FROM THE  
NEWSPAPER AND  
THE NEWS,

BUT  
LAST NIGHT,  
HASHIMOTO-SENSEI  
DIED IN AN  
ACCIDENT.

HOW  
CAN THEY  
CALL IT AN  
ACCIDENT,  
THEN?

He  
CAN'T EVEN  
SWIM, AND  
HE JUMPED  
IN A RIVER!

THAT'S  
CERTAINLY  
ONE WAY  
TO PUT  
IT.

HE WAS A GOOD  
TEACHER,  
THOUGH. IN  
HIS LAST  
MOMENTS,  
AT LEAST,



TRESPASSING  
IS PROHIBITED  
HERE! WHAT  
SCHOOL ARE YOU  
FROM?

I HAVE  
BUSINESS  
HERE!

WAIT,  
YOU! YOU DON'T  
BELONG IN THIS  
SCHOOL!

YOU  
KNOW, THE KID  
THAT DROWNED  
IN THE RIVER?  
HASHIMOTO-  
SENSEI SAVED  
ME!

I'M  
NARUKAMI  
GENGOJI

THE  
HEAD TEACHER  
SURE HASN'T  
CHANGED, THAT'S FOR SURE...

W-  
WHAT?

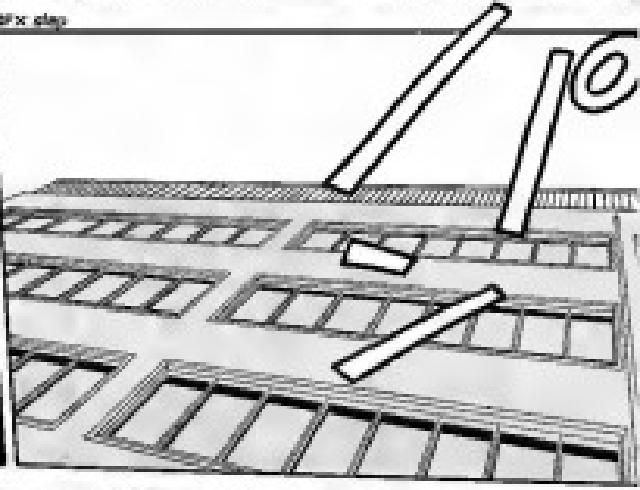
HUH?  
WHAT,  
WHAT...

RUN!

HEAD  
TEACHER!!!

AH,  
Ruto!





DIED  
BECAUSE  
OF YOU!!

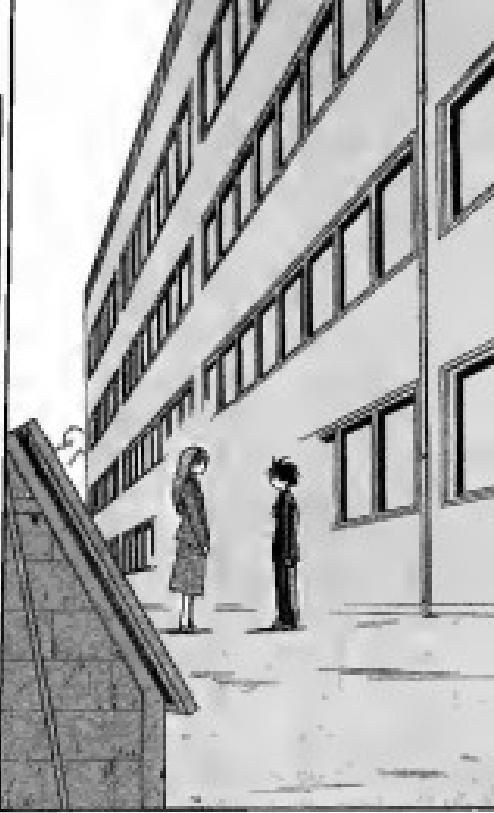
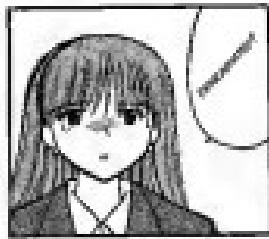


HASHIMURA  
SENSEI

YOU  
REALLY LIKED  
ME THAT  
MUCH?









IF YOU'RE REALLY HANRUMA-SENSEI, THEN YOU'D AT LEAST KNOW



I TOLD YOU EVEN THOUGH I KNEW EXACTLY HOW YOU WERE GOING TO RESPOND!

BUT IT'S REALLY THE TRUTH, SO WHAT ELSE DO YOU EXPECT ME TO DO!?

I KNOW THAT!



**EVERYONE  
AT SCHOOL  
KNOWS  
THAT**



HOSHIZAKI  
IT'S! YOU'RE A  
TEACHER WHO  
TEACHES BIOLOGY  
AND GEOLOGY  
CLASSES!

MOST OF  
MY FRIENDS KNOW  
THAT...ANYONE COULD  
FIND OUT SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT!



'YOU  
WERE BORN ON  
JANUARY 2! YOU'RE  
A CAPRICORN, AND  
YOUR BLOOD TYPE  
IS O!

**SO WHAT!  
KNOWING ALL OF  
THAT STILL DOESN'T  
PROVE YOU'RE  
HASHIMOTO-  
SENSEI!**



YOU LIKE  
COLLECTING FOSSILS,  
AND YOUR FAVORITE  
COLOR IS BLUE!

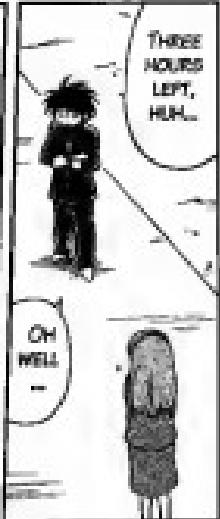
HASHIMOTO  
SENSEI WOULD  
NEVER LOOK UP  
SOMETHING LIKE  
THAT!!



YOU'RE  
187CM TALL, YOU WEIGH  
46KG, AND YOUR  
MEASUREMENTS ARE  
38/30/36

**Miss  
Machinists  
Women  
Awards**







THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
HASHIMURA HISOKA  
NEEDS TO FINISH

NEEDS  
TO FINISH?

SOMETHING  
HASHIMURA-  
SENSEI...



YOU'RE  
NOT AN  
ADULT YET,  
YOU CAN'T  
DO THIS!

WHAI...  
HORSE  
RACES??!



MY DREAMS DO COME TRUE.

PRETTY BOY, I'M GONNA HIT IT BIG IN THE HORSE RACES.

ANI

BUT...

IT'S TRUE... HE DID SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THAT...

NO, I'M NOT!

OH, YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT ME NOW, RIITO!

WHAT? THE TWO HORSES YOU BET ON RIGHT NOW, 1 AND 2, ARE BOTH IN THE REAR!?

WH- WHAT?

IT'S ANYONE'S GAME NOW!

AFTER TURNING THE LAST CORNER, THE HORSES IN FRONT HAVE ALL SLOWED DOWN!

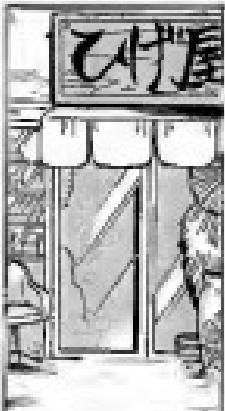
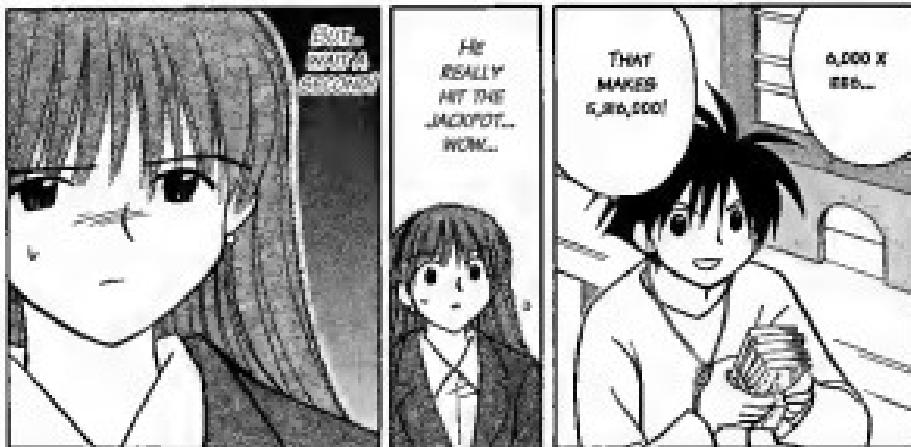
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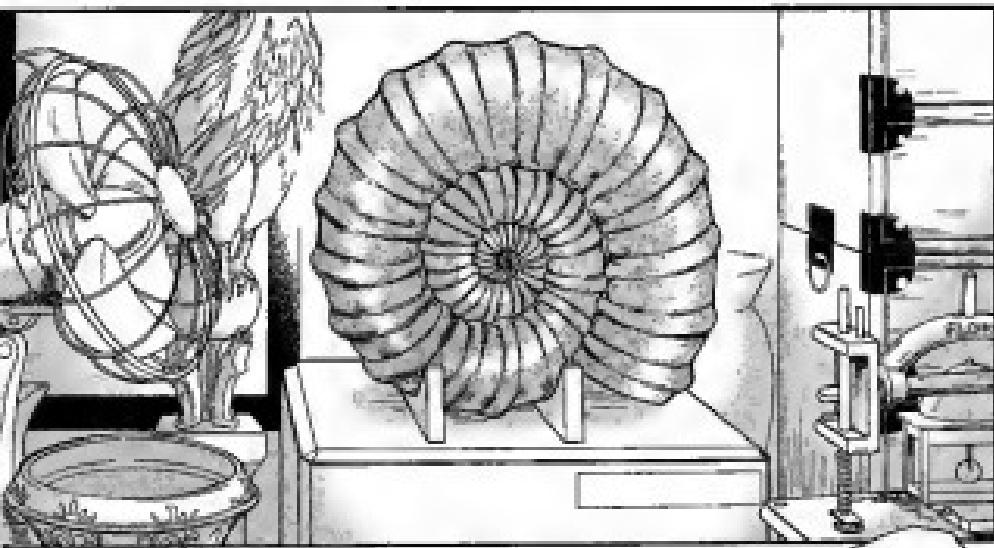
WHAT?

THE STRAGGLERS ARE NOW GALLOPING AHEAD TO THE GOAL!



GOOK CHEER





BECAUSE I  
LEARNED ABOUT  
IT IN YOUR  
FIRST CLASS!

THIS  
IS THE  
FOSSIL I  
KNOW  
THE  
MOST  
ABOUT.

AN AMMONITE MOLLUSKS BELONGING TO THE CEPHALOPOD GROUP THAT LIVED FROM THE PALEOZOIC TO THE MESOZOIC ERA, AND DIED OUT APPROXIMATELY 65 MILLION YEARS AGO. WHEN THE FIRST AMMONITE FOSSIL WAS DISCOVERED, SCIENTISTS THOUGHT IT WAS A RAM HORN.

My  
FIRST CLASS

AN  
ABSURD PRICE  
EITHER  
WAY.  
IT'S  
AN OFFER  
YOU CAN'T  
REFUSE!

6  
MILLION  
YEN

BUT  
SOMEONE  
ALREADY  
BOUGHT THAT  
FOSSIL FOR A  
MILLION  
YEN.

SORRY,  
BUD.

THIS  
IS ONE JOB  
HASHIMURA HISOKA  
HAS TO FINISH.

RUTO!  
WHETHER YOU  
BELIEVE ME OR  
NOT.

I DECIDED  
TO BUY IT FOR  
YOU NO MATTER  
WHAT IT  
TOOK.

WHEN  
I FOUND  
THIS THING  
HERE,

IN  
EXCHANGE  
FOR  
A KING.



I STILL...  
CAN'T ACCEPT  
THIS.

UH...  
I...

REINCARNATION...  
MAGIC SPELLS...

I JUST...

I JUST  
CAN'T START BELIEVING  
IN THAT STUFF ALL  
A SUDDEN.

THAT'S  
JUST THE  
WAY  
I AM.

SENSEL...



AND I  
LIKE YOU JUST  
THE WAY YOU  
ARE!

I  
KNOW  
THAT!





BUT  
THAT  
FACT



WILL  
BE OUR  
ETERNAL  
SECRET.

# 4-PANEL MANGA THEATER

E-mail Tagverfahren p-1



## **Perceptron**

We love Auto-school! #1



I found a fossil shore  
on the first floor of the Kinsley by  
Shropshire. I was surprised to actually find a  
shore that old! What a lot of a bit sur-  
prised and started looking closely at them.

**Doc's pronostic:** What was about three years ago, you priced it \$600,000 per T.V. I actually found one as big as the one you had bought, and probably twice as much, when one million per

The Hashigami Effect

"To today  
I can add he  
made a peace  
of four now  
he goes off."



The Redjays  
Larkspur, French,  
The next ap-  
peared much in  
the form.

The following table shows the results.

The main character, John Steele, takes a strong stand against all that is wrong. Like Fred character, he is a good man who stands up to the power of money.

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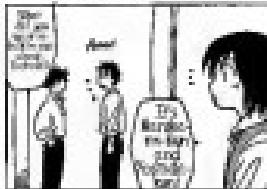
Then would like  
to go to Paris.  
Radio 71  
(formerly 75)  
Montreal.

*This doesn't make sense*

Hughes doesn't really need it clear up those, but the character in question was University President from "The Ha-Ha-Ha's"! Ever offer similar letters, too? What can I tell I personally thought Takayos roughed Heike, looked more like Yumemi. His close to 30 in the summer I had trouble deciding on a husband for him. Although I guess such her not a large year anything, he can change his heart, you know?



Ruri's Tug-of-war #3 - Yoshida's Confession



Karasuma, sensei from Class 3-1 Kyou! Kyaa! #1



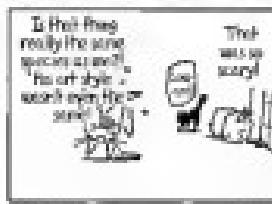
Please be quiet in the classroom.  
The students always have to go outside during the summer vacation.



Sensei Karasuma, I'm sorry!



I'm sorry. This is not appropriate and not sufficient you have told.



Is that thing really the same species as me?

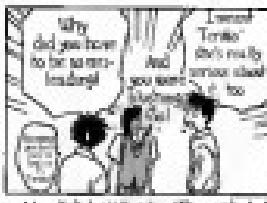
That was so scary!



It's fine!



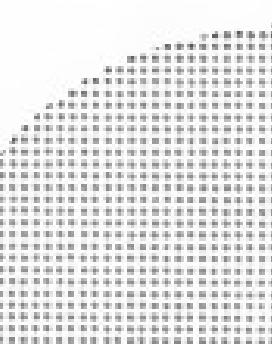
Sensei, there is no lesson next week.



\* See Yoshida's confession (The preschooler)



Sensei, there is no lesson next week because of the rain.



Why is Turnover commenting on the cat?

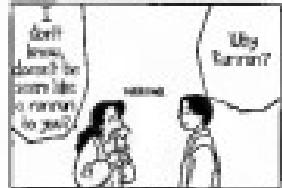
There are a lot of cats around here. They try to be friendly to them, but then run when I get close, so I just try to smile at them from afar. It probably looks creepy to them, but I know that parents might understand that feeling. But they probably never will.

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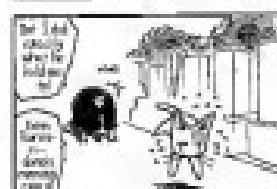
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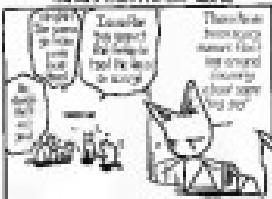


## The Greatest Story Ever Told About Tomoza #1



## Uchuu, Looking For Love #1





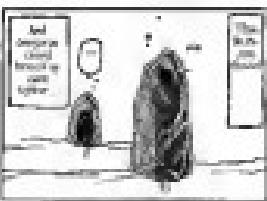
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Book #1 - LoveHate

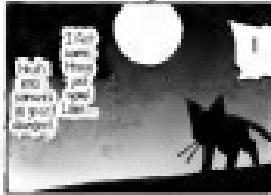


DRX - Daydreaming



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You Can Be It, Ranma! #3 - Another Transformation



The full moon  
and her **incredibly-painful**  
silence. She's so tired.  
Ranma... come!

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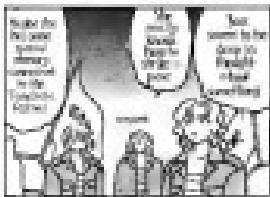


Reirement 1  
I'm... I'm...  
so... so...  
tired...  
I... I...  
can't...  
move...

Tobitsu, the Solitary Fox #1 - Night Before Fleeting Edo



Tobitsu  
will...  
go...  
to...  
the...  
city...



What do you  
think about  
the moon?  
It's... it's...  
so... so...  
big... big...  
and... and...  
bright... bright...

Ranma and Inoue - The Last Year  
#2 - Summer



Lower  
me closer.  
What do you  
know about  
me, huh?



Be gone,  
peach, and  
don't ever  
come back.  
Not a part  
of me wants  
you here.



Be gone,  
peach, and  
don't ever  
come back.  
Not a part  
of me wants  
you here.



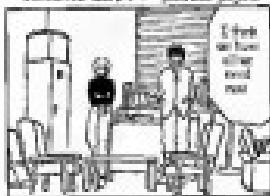
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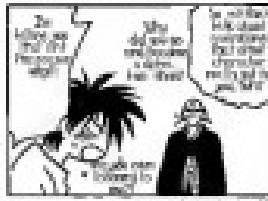
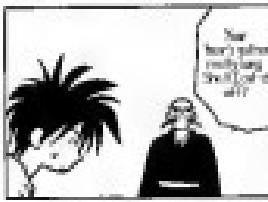
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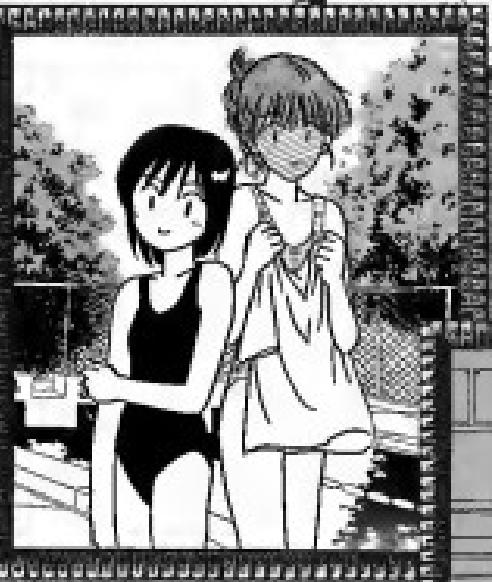
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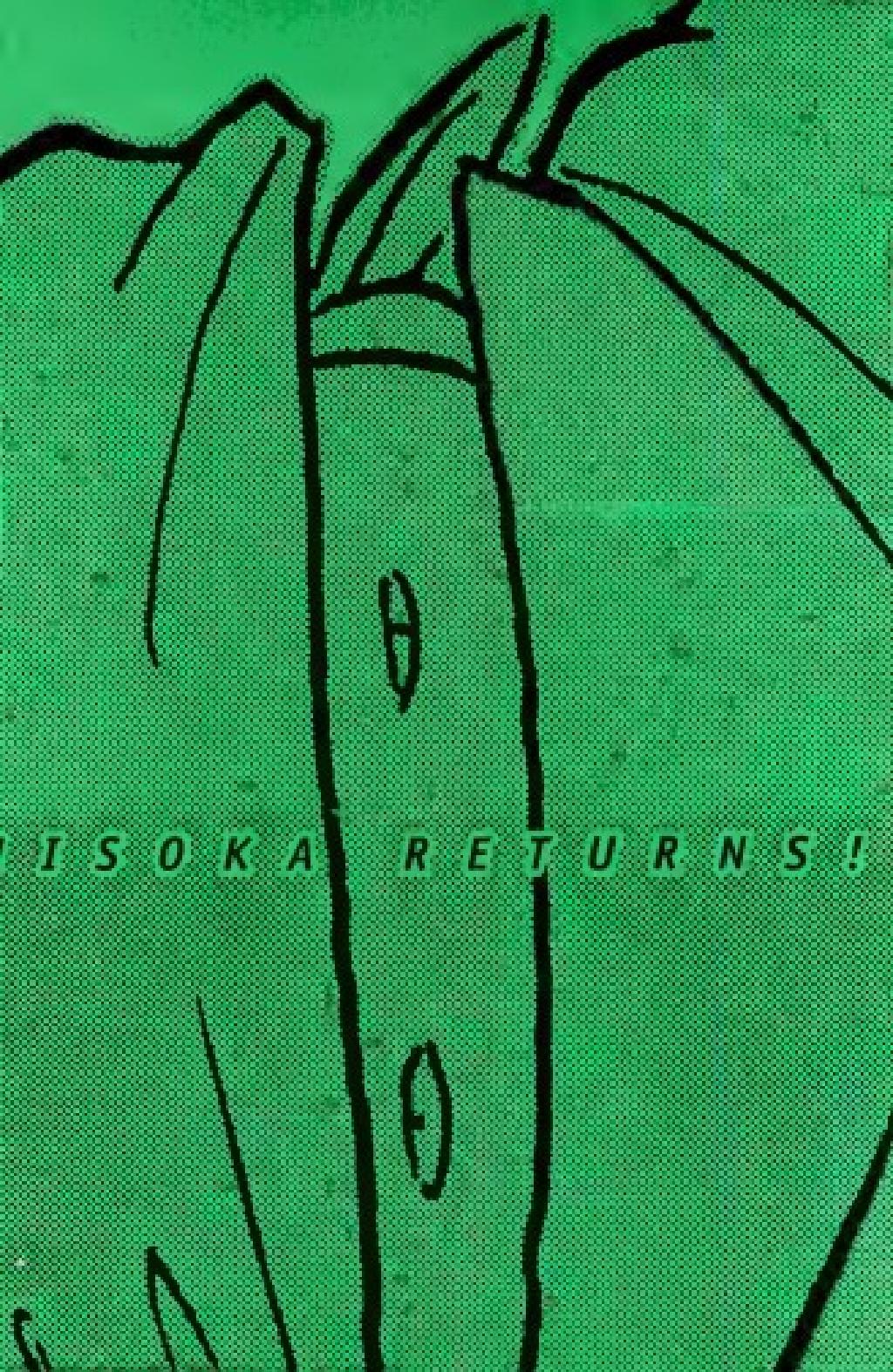
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